

TOWN  
of  
**MERRIMAC**  
MASSACHUSETTS  
**ANNUAL**  
**REPORT**



**1993**



**ANNUAL REPORT**  
of the  
**OFFICERS'**  
**BOARDS**  
and  
**COMMITTEES**  
of the  
**TOWN of MERRIMAC**  
**MASSACHUSETTS**  
for the  
**Year Ending December 31, 1993**





In  
*Memoriam*  
to those  
Who Have Held  
PUBLIC OFFICE  
in the  
TOWN of MERRIMAC

Eida V. Jervey  
*Merrimac School Committee Member*  
*Library Trustee*

Ruth Parker  
*Whittier Regional School Committee Member*  
*Library Trustee*



# DIRECTORY OF ELECTED OFFICERS

## **Moderator**

*One Year*

Robert Bender

## **Board of Selectmen**

*Three Years*

James G. Seymour, *Chairman*

Term Expires 1994

Walter W. Steeves

Term Expires 1995

Jeffrey W. Hoyt

Term Expires 1996

## **Town Treasurer**

*Three Years*

Harriett L. Stanley

## **Board of Assessors**

*Three Years*

Edward R. Davis, *Chairman*

Term Expires 1994

George W. Mutti

Term Expires 1996

Martha A. Schena

Term Expires 1995

## **Planning Board**

*Five Years*

Arthur Evans, *Chairman*

Term Expires 1995

Joseph Carter

Term Expires 1998

Arthur O'Keefe (*appointed 7-7-93 until election*)

Term Expires 1994

W. Earl Baumgardner (*resigned 8-1-93*)

Term Expires 1994

Richard Gosselin

Term Expires 1996

Evelyn Greeley, *Secretary*

## **Constables**

Brian W. Peavey

James M. Seymour

## **Tree Warden**

John A. Williams, III

## **Town Clerk**

*Three Years*

Patricia True

## **Board of Health**

Mark Zagranis, *Chairman*

Term Expires 1996

Gail Riley

Term Expires 1995

Nancy Gauvin

Term Expires 1994

## **School Committee**

*Three Years*

Lucy Abisalih

Term Expires 1996

Michael Bryant

Term Expires 1994

Mary O'Sullivan

Term Expires 1995

Anthony Repucci

Term Expires 1995

Jean MacDougall-Tattan

Term Expires 1996

**Trustees of Public Library**  
*Three Years*

Jeffrey W. Hoyt, <i>Chairman</i>	Term Expires 1995
Linda Claeys	Term Expires 1995
Susan M. Coburn	Term Expires 1994
Yvonne D Cosgrove	Term Expires 1996
Bruce Evans	Term Expires 1994
Joy Kimball	Term Expires 1996

**Playground Commission**  
*Three Years*

Michael Stevens, <i>Chairman</i>	Term Expires 1994
Wayne Bickford	Term Expires 1996
David W. Riley	Term Expires 1995
Leon B. Smith	Term Expires 1994
Thomas Graziano	Term Expires 1997

**Municipal Light Commissioners**  
*Three Years*

Gordon Rines	Term Expires 1996
Norman Sande	Term Expires 1995
David Vance	Term Expires 1994

**Municipal Water Commissioners**  
*Three Years*

Gordon Rines	Term Expires 1996
Norman Sande	Term Expires 1995
David Vance	Term Expires 1994

**Cemetery Trustees**  
*Three Years*

Alva W. Clark	Term Expires 1994
Larry Fisher	Term Expires 1996
Richard Fournier	Term Expires 1995

**Sewer Commissioners**  
*Three Years*

John Cryan, <i>Chairman</i>	Term Expires 1996
Arthur Evans	Term Expires 1995
William Raper, Jr.	Term Expires 1994

**Merrimac Housing Authority**  
*Five Years*

Barbara J. Arbour, <i>Chairman</i>	Term Expires 1995
Richard Emery	Term Expires 1997
Dorothy Olson	Term Expires 1996
Steven True	Term Expires 1998

# DIRECTORY OF APPOINTED OFFICERS

## Finance Committee

Geoffrey Milstein, *Chairman*  
Bernard Bailey  
Brian Durkin

Mitchell Kostoulakos  
Mary O'Sullivan  
John Page

Sandra Venner

## Board of Appeals

Philip Parry, *Chairman*  
Patrick Melican, *Alternate*  
Gordon Broz

Janet Bruno  
Ellen Evans  
Nancy MacGregor

Susan Clark, *Secretary*

## Conservation Commission

Louis Nucci, *Chairman*  
Bruce Evans  
Paul Geoghegan

Allan Pollock  
Robert Prokop  
Robert Topitzer

Arthur Yarranton

**Building Inspector**  
Robert S. Sinibaldi

## Rent Control Board

George Bedard

Thomas McKenna

James G. Seymour

## Dog Officer

Bonnie Buckley

## Fire Department

Wallace Spencer, *Chief*

Brain Peavey, *Deputy Chief*

Ralph Spencer, *Deputy Chief*

## Gas Inspector

Richard Pearson

## Plumbing Inspector

Gaetano Caruso

## Wiring Inspector

Roy Keiser

## Highway Department

Gordon Rines, *Supt.*

## Board of Registrars

Evelyn Greeley  
Madeline Lay

Mary Parry  
Nancy Stevens

Patricia True

**Town Counsel**  
Ashod N. Amirian

**Selectmen's Secretary**

Barbara J. Arbour

**Town Accountant**

David Hitchcock

**Inspector of Animals**

George R. Hoyt (*resigned 7-1-93*)

**Arts Lottery Council**

Nanette Becker  
Colleen Fiorello  
Nicholas Fiorello  
Judy Flynn  
Laura Linard

Nancy Hocking-McDonough  
Kathy Meuse  
Dorothy Patten  
Hanna Trautmann  
Ann Tucker

**Veterans Agent**

Zillah Buzzell

**Sworn Weighers**

John Flynn

Harold Waterhouse

**Historical Commission**

Evelyn Calnan  
Walter Calnan  
Betty Emery  
Kenneth Fowle

Jeffrey W. Hoyt  
Charlotte McCarron  
John Pease  
Sandy Pease

**Recycling Committee**

Patricia Dillon, *Chairperson*  
Lisa Bouchard  
Charlotte Gulezian  
Bruce Evans

Debbie Knight  
Mary Lyons  
Joseph Slogar  
Laura Weaver

Walter Perkins

**Council on Aging**

Mary Cheney  
Colleen Fiorello  
Herb Gynan  
Irene Kimbrell  
Dorothy Lumsden

Inez Lund  
Roy Minihan  
James Murphy  
Elizabeth Pittman  
Terri Walden



**Warrant for  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
To Be Held on May 2, 1994  
at the Frederick N. Sweetsir School  
(preceding the Annual Town Meeting)**

ESSEX, ss.

To one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac:

**GREETINGS,**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet in the Frederick N. Sweetsir School in Merrimac on May 2, 1994 at 7:30 PM in the evening to act on the following articles, namely:

**ARTICLE 1.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for Snow and Washout Emergency; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for Lights in Town Buildings; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay F.I.C.A. Town's share; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay for Unemployment Expense; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, a sum of money to pay for Essex County Retirement; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available Chapter 90 Highway Funds, a sum of money for construction, repair and improvement in FY94; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay for utilities for the Sewer Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay for Excise Tax Processing; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Assessor's Reserve Account to Assessor's Reval Account to hire Patriot's Properties to do recertification work on commercial properties; or take any other action relative thereto.

Given under our hands this 14th day of April 1994.

James G. Seymour, *Chairman*  
Jeffrey W. Hoyt  
Walter W. Steeves

A true copy attest:

CONSTABLE:

By virtue of the above warrant to me directed, I hereby notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac, to meet at the time and said place for purpose therein expressed.

Posted this 15th day of April, 1994 in the following three places:

Towne Market  
Town Hall  
Cozy Cleaners

**Warrant for  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
To Be Held on May 2, 1994  
at the Frederick N. Sweetsir School**

ESSEX, ss.

To one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac:

**GREETINGS;**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet in the Dr. Frederick N. Sweetsir School in Merrimac on May 2, 1994 at 8:00 PM to act on the following articles, namely:

**ARTICLE 1.** To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 108 as amended: Moderator, Town Clerk, Three Selectmen, Three Assessors, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, Three Commissioners of Municipal Light, Three Water Commissioners, Three Sewer Commissioners, and raise, appropriate or transfer sums of money therefore and to determine sums of money to be raised, or transferred to defray the necessary and usual charges and expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 1994 and make appropriations for the same, said sums of money so raised, appropriated or transferred to be expended for specific purposes to be voted; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Electric Light Operating Balance, said money to be used by the Assessors with the estimated receipts to fix the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1994; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the sale of Cemetery lots, such sum or part thereof, to be expended under the direction of the Cemetery Trustees for the "Care, Improvement, and Embellishment" of said cemeteries, according to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 114, Section 4 and Section 25; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the operation and maintenance of the Sanitary Landfill for Fiscal year 1995; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay engineering services for supervision and inspection of sanitary landfill for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1994; or take any other action relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the reserve fund for appropriation for revaluation; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Assessors to perform duties and incur expenses relating to any equalization of revaluation of the Town; to authorize the Board of Assessors to hire themselves at the rate of \$10.00 per hour and to hire such other necessary assistance as the Board of Assessors may deem necessary or convenient; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use a sum of money from available balances and from "FREE CASH" in the treasury toward the reduction of the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1994; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay for the costs relative to closure of the Sanitary Landfill; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a tractor for use by the Playground Commission; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a new computer system for the Senior Center; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a computer system for the Town Accountant; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for Inspections for the Sewer Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Capital Development Fund, a sum of money to pay for Principal Belt I; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Capital Development Fund, a sum of money to pay for Principal Belt II; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow \$97,500 in State House notes for a period not to exceed five years, to be used for multi-purpose to include:

Sewer Department Safety Equipment  
Phase II Sludge Storage Pad  
Major Process Equipment Replacements

or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase materials and build platforms at the recycling center; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of

money for the Recycling Committee to collect and dispose of household hazardous wastes; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town By-Laws, Article IV, Section XII, Paragraph III, effective 7-1-94, to read:

The Town will pay longevity pay in the amount of \$200.00 per year after the fifth year, \$250.00 per year after the tenth year, \$300.00 per year after the fifteenth year, and \$350.00 every year after twenty years; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Water Capital Improvement Fund for the Implementation of an operations and maintenance manual for the water department as required by DEP; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Capital Improvement Fund a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Water Commissioners for the upgrade of the wellfield at East Main Street; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Capital Improvement Fund a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Water Commissioners for the exploration of new well sources; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Capital Improvement Fund a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Water Commissioners to purchase chemical feed pumps; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Capital Improvement Fund a sum of money to develop a Water System Contingency Plan; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Water Capital Improvement Fund a sum of money to study the possibility of connecting to the Water System of another town; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept MGL, Chapter 148, Section 26E, Local Option for Smoke Detectors in Private Dwellings; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to accept MGL, Chapter 148, Section 26-1, Sprinkler Systems in New Construction In Its Entirety; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a Dump Truck for the Highway Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a Pickup Truck for the Highway Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of

money to purchase a police cruiser for the Police Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase six Scott Air Packs for the Fire Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to change the position of Town Treasurer in its by-laws, from an elected to an appointed position; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the governing authority of the Emery Street field known as "Carriage Town Park" from the Board of Selectmen to the Playground Commission, for the purpose of building and maintaining a permanent ballfield and soccer field (with parking) as shown on a plan drawn by W.C. Cammett Inc. Engineers; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to accept Woodland Street Extension and related utilities as an approved street; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to take by Eminent Domain the land formerly owned by William and Verna Bridges and any other vacant land between there and the Town Forest, to be added to the Town Forest for its protection and preservation; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town bylaws, Article V, Section V to read as follows: Any person who deposits snow or water, or causes snow or water to be deposited or pumped from private property onto a public way shall be subject to a fine of \$50.00; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 37. To see if the Town will vote to approve a Cross-Connection Program; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to approve a Water Supply Protection District Bylaw; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to ratify and confirm the action taken under Article I of the warrant for the June 21, 1993 Special Town Meeting, whereby the Town voted to appropriate and authorize the borrowing of an additional \$879,800 for the Helen R. Donaghue School building project; or take any other action relative thereto.

Given under our hands this twenty-second day of April 1994.

James G. Seymour, *Chairman*  
Jeffrey W. Hoyt  
Walter W. Steeves

A true copy attest:

CONSTABLE:

By virtue of the above warrant to me directed, I hereby notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac, to meet at the time and said place for purpose

therein expressed.

Posted this 22nd day of April, 1994 in the following three places:

**Towne Market**  
**Town Hall**  
**Cozy Cleaners**

**ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
for the year ending December 31, 1993**

To the Citizens of Merrimac:

During the past year, fortunately, our financial status has stabilized and shows signs of moderate improvement. Cooperation between elected and appointed officials and the support of voters at town meeting have resulted in continued fiscal responsibility. The budget has been balanced, tax rate set, and quarterly tax bills mailed on time.

Starting in January, under the leadership of Selectman Hoyt, monthly Financial Team meetings were continued, again, this year. As stated last year, the purpose of the meetings was to share information relative to our total financial status. Each department, board, and committee was asked to send a delegate. In a friendly atmosphere of give-and-take, the problems, needs, and concerns of the town were discussed. Thereby, a comprehensive picture of the town's finances emerged as we moved toward the Annual Town Meeting. Communication between departments and helpful suggestions beyond finances also resulted from these forums.

The first session of the Annual Town Meeting was held May 3, 1993 and continued to June 21. Before each there was a special town meeting. Uncertainty about school budgets, state funding, and other financial matters resulted in one more special town meeting being convened in September. The results of each meeting are printed at the rear of this Annual Report.

All town employees were voted a much deserved 5% pay increase. A first step towards restoring part of what had been cut was made by adding funds to hire another highway employee and (pending labor contract negotiations) a fourth policeman. Through the cooperation of the Finance Committee, School Committee, and Board of Selectmen, the school budgets were settled with a minimum of disagreement.

In May, after the annual election, the Board of Selectmen reorganized with James G. Seymour as Chairman and Jeffrey W. Hoyt as Clerk. Selectman Walter W. Steeves continued to serve on the School Building Committee and as labor union liaison. Selectman Hoyt continued as our voting delegate to the Essex County Advisory Board in Salem. He also sits on a regional services sub-committee of that board.

Several public safety issues were addressed through town meeting action:

1. The position of Chief of the Fire Department was increased to full time. This allows the Chief the added time to comply with increased state and federal regulations as well as attend to coordination of Seabrook volunteer drills. We have also appointed the Chief as the ADA coordinator for the town along with a few other added responsibilities.

2. A new fire truck (\$180,000) was voted for the Fire Department and

a new dump truck and plow (\$50,000) was approved for the Highway Department. Few could argue with the importance of adequate fire equipment and properly maintained streets.

3. In cooperation with Amesbury, jet skis and similar dangerous water craft were banned from use on Lake Attitash. The improved safety to swimmers and protection from increased liability for the town make this a wise and important adoption to our by-laws. Selectman Seymour organized this effort.

In other town meeting action, the by-laws were amended to prohibit commercial gravel pits within the agricultural-residential district and the position of tax collector was changed from elected to appointed.

There were three major school related issues during the year: 1) additions to the Donaghue and Sweetsir schools, 2) full regionalization of the lower grades in the Pentucket district, and 3) passage of the state's Education Reform Act. Each constitutes a complex and far ranging matter.

The lowest construction bid for the addition to the Helen R. Donaghue school, submitted by the award recipient, Stella Construction of Wakefield, was approximately \$500,000 over what had been originally authorized by the town in 1988. Consequently, the issue was put before town meeting and voters overwhelmingly decided to add \$879,000 to the project to make up for the shortfall and pay for several other important features. Construction started in late June with a target date for completion in August of 1994.

Shortly thereafter, the School Facilities and Management Service Bureau (formerly the School Building Assistance Bureau) approved the addition to the Dr. Frederick N. Sweetsir school. Regretfully, both projects could not be bid by one contractor. However, the Sweetsir project bids did come within the budget and the contract was awarded to J. K. Scanlon of West Bridgewater. Construction started in November with a target date for completion being May of 1994. Both projects, of course, are eligible for 76% reimbursement by the state.

Bonding for the school additions (now totalling \$7,729,000) required audits of the town's records for the fiscal years 1991, 1992, and 1993. The job was awarded to the accounting firm of Tucci & Roselli of Lexington, MA. In a management letter from Tucci & Roselli suggestions were made about how to improve our record keeping. The Board of Selectmen have started to institute these measures. We will be asking the town to pay for a thorough audit every year instead of once every three years. Also, we have asked the Treasurer and Town Accountant to immediately begin quarterly reconciliations and increase this to monthly when the appropriate electronic apparatus has been purchased and installed.

Full regionalization of our school system from pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade was the result of much hard work by many community leaders from all three towns. The district was wise to fully regionalize before the state law providing incentive aid was changed. Indeed, there was the unexpected windfall of receiving most of that aid within the first year. The substantial additions to staff, faculty, and programs resulting from the extra incentive

money as well as the educational advantages of complete regionalization are described in the annual report of the school committee and superintendent.

For this beginning year of full regionalization, a Transition Team of town treasurers, accountants, and school business personnel met once a month to map out a strategy for payment of debt service, pay roll, and most of the other matters regarding the old system transposed into the new. Leases for the Donaghue and Sweetsir buildings were prepared, largely by Selectman Steeves, and await school committee action at the time of this writing.

The long awaited Education Reform Act, passed in June, has had a profound effect on every aspect of public education at the local level. The most complicated factor involves school funding where we face a complex tangle of budget provisions contained in the new regionalization agreement combined with the formulas of "foundation budgets", school aid (Chapter 70), and "maintenance of effort". Sandy Venner, Finance Committee Vice Chairman, has done a particularly good job of understanding these figures and deserves much credit.

Turning to other matters, the issue of closure of our unlined landfill, on Battis Road, gained legislative relief in a law sponsored by Representative Hynes. The time for closure was extended but also required us to install ground water and gas monitoring wells. To this end, \$20,000 was appropriated at the special town meeting held in September. Fortunately, late in the year, Arthur I. Schofield, a Massachusetts solid waste hauler, met with the Board of Selectmen and outlined a proposal for our landfill which would meet our well monitoring needs and provide us with a substantial piece of revenue for closure costs. The Board of Selectmen is carefully examining all aspects of this proposal. We are also working closely with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection in an effort to meet their standards and reduce the costs of engineering services for closure.

The town's joint application with Amesbury for another Small Cities Grant was denied this year. This was all the more disappointing because Selectman Seymour had spent a lot of time gathering information from the various departments and filling out a required Community Action Statement. On the positive side, though, the statement is still active and is often required for other grants which the town may wish to apply for in the near future.

The Board of Selectmen would like to thank the Highway Department, under the direction of superintendent Gordon Rines, for another year of living up to the motto "The Do Everything Department". Their snow removal success has been outstanding during one of the worst winters on record.

All the members of town government are to be commended for another year of good service to their community. Several groups deserve special recognition. The Recycling Committee has devoted many volunteer hours at their new location on Mill Street and we are constantly impressed at how much they have been able to expand their services. The tireless efforts of the Old Home Days Committee produced, again, another weekend of fun filled family events. By constantly changing and adapting their activities to the needs and

interests of the town they have kept the annual event alive and dynamic. The spring fund raiser for the Santa Parade, "Dude Ranch Minstrels", was enjoyed by hundreds for its good humor and good music. Regretfully, for the first time in years, the Santa Parade was rained out. Moreso than ever, its organizers should be complimented for working so hard all year to meet with such disappointing result. We know they will all be at it again next year and look forward to the occasion.

Respectfully submitted,

James G. Seymour, *Chairman*  
Jeffrey W. Hoyt  
Walter W. Steeves

# TOWN CLERK

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

As Town Clerk of the Town of Merrimac, I hereby submit my annual report for the year 1993.

## BIRTHS

Number of births recorded .....	38
Males.....	21
Females .....	17
Father, native born.....	37
Mother, native born .....	37
Father and Mother both native born .....	37
Father and Mother both foreign born .....	1
Mixed Parentage.....	0

## MARRIAGES

Number of marriages recorded.....	41
First marriage of groom.....	27
First marriage of bride .....	30
Groom, native born .....	37
Bride, native born.....	39
Average age of groom .....	33 yrs.
Average age of bride .....	29 yrs. 8m

## DEATHS

Number of deaths recorded .....	27
Males.....	13
Females .....	14
Under five years .....	0
Males, native born .....	13
Females, native born .....	14
Parents, native born .....	16
Parents, foreign born .....	6
Mixed Parentage.....	5
Average age.....	70 yrs. 7m
Oldest person.....	91

## LICENSES

Total dog licenses.....	230
Male .....	108
Female.....	9
Spayed Female.....	113
Kennel licenses.....	1
Sporting licenses .....	317
Minor's sporting licenses .....	5

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia E. True  
Town Clerk

# 1993 REPORT OF THE MERRIMAC FIRE DEPARTMENT

To: The Honorable Board of Selectmen  
The Citizens of the Town of Merrimac

It was voted at our annual town meeting to make the position of Fire Chief full time as of July 1st. Thus on July 1st Chief Wallace P. Spencer assumed his duties as Merrimac's first full time Fire Chief.

Also at the annual Town Meeting it was voted to purchase a new fire truck and \$180,000.00 was appropriated. The Board of Fire Engineers spent many hours putting together 58 pages of specifications. The first bid went out and we had one bidder who was \$22,000 dollars over the amount that was appropriated, thus back to another bid and many hours of work. Again we went out to bid and all the major fire truck builders were notified by facsimile, again we received one bid at \$179,950 dollars, thus the bid was signed on December 7, 1993, and the truck will be delivered in 210 days.

Chief Spencer has spent many hours on trying to collect outstanding ambulance bills, and to correct some of the problems in communications with people having outstanding bills.

Many hours are being spent on trying to gather information, hydrant locations, Haz/Mat locations and other information to put into the computer so when we receive a call for any reason with the push of a button, information will be fed to the responding apparatus.

The fire service has changed so fast over the past three years with the Federal Government, the State Government, and OSHA making rules and regulations, that has forced changes over night, such as men can no longer ride on the back of a fire truck, they must be in a cab fully enclosed away from any dangers or the weather elements. They also call for air conditioning in a truck (we did not comply with that issue). Underground storage tank regulations change from month to month, as do the ambulance regulations.

All of our personnel who requested hepatitis shots have received their first two shots, and will receive the 3rd and final shot in March. Our EMT's received their shots a year ago and we had them tested and found some did not take and they are going for a second booster shot.

We had a room in the rear of the station finished off with a shower and a sink, and we had the electrical and piping put in for a washer and dryer, this is due to OSHA regulations regarding blood pathogens. Anyone who comes in contact with any blood or body fluids can not leave the station until they have showered and changed their clothing, and the clothing must be washed and cleaned before leaving the station.

Once again we wish to thank all of our Firefighters and EMT's who give so many hours to the Department, leaving their families to answer each and every call, for training, and the many other things they are asked to do. (WE HAVE THE BEST AND WE WANT THEM TO KNOW WE APPRECIATE THEM).

To the Merrimac Couplings we can only say thank you for your 25 plus years of dedication to this Department, for the hours you spend out on a cold winter's night, or a hot summer's day, when the Firefighters are exhausted or frozen stiff you are there to serve them, plus the equipment you have purchased for us over the years. OUR SINCERE THANKS.

To the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac we say thank you for your continued support, as you have always been there when we need you. For you who have used our services, you know it's a good feeling to know we are there when we are needed, and for those that have not needed our services, well we pray you never need us.

To our surrounding communities who joined us in Mutual Aid, we say Thank You, for your quick services when they are needed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chief - Wallace P. Spencer  
Deputy - Brian W. Peavey  
Deputy - Ralph W. Spencer

## **MERRIMAC FIRE DEPARTMENT 1993 RESPONSES**

Ambulance/Medical .....	233
Hazardous Material Incidents.....	5
Chimney/Woodstove .....	6
Faulty Appliances.....	4
Storm Coverage.....	1
Vehicle Accidents.....	30
False Calls/Faulty Alarms .....	26
Illegal Burns .....	16
Food on the Stove.....	7
Assist Police Department .....	1
Structure Fires .....	4
Utility Problems .....	7
Tree Fires.....	3
Furnace Problems .....	5
Brush Fires .....	16
Roof Leaks .....	1
Vehicle Fires .....	14
Tree through Roof.....	2
Dryer Fire .....	2
Boating Incident .....	1
Smoke in Building.....	1
Gas Grill Fire.....	14
4-Wheeler Incident.....	1

# OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Board of Fire Engineers

Wallace P. Spencer, *Chief*

Brian W. Peavey, *Deputy*

Ralph W. Spencer\*, *Deputy*

## Company Officers

Wayne Brooks, *Capt.*

William Dow, *Lt.*

Norman Armstrong\*, *Capt.*

Robert Corthell, *Lt.*

Michael Sloban, *Capt.*

Larry Fisher, *Lt.*

Norman Condon, *Capt.*

Joseph Conroy, Sr., *Lt.*

## Regular Members

N. Wayne Armstrong\*

Henry Kelly

James David

Scott Maker

Robert Emery

Elaine McCarthy\*

Thomas Flinn

Edwin Noone

Wayne Gadsby\*

Brian Peavey, Jr.

William Graham

Robert Peters\*

Gregory Hatch

Andrew Powell\*

James Hume

James Sevigney

Patricia Jordan\*

Wayne Smart\*

Thomas Jordan

Lester Smith

Clifton Judson

Mark Soucy\*

Mark Judson

Stephen Szabo\*

## Substitute Members

Gordon Campbell

Anthony McDonough

Steve Evans

Eric Shears

George Gould

Wayne Smart, II

Scott Hansen

\* Indicates Emergency Medical Technician-Ambulance

## BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Board respectfully submits this report for 1993. In 1993 the final bills for FISCAL 1993 were on time. For Fiscal 1994, the first two quarterly estimated bills were mailed on time and the third quarter bill was also mailed on time. The reason the fourth quarter bill was not included with the third quarter mailing was due to the computer company adding interest on the bills as if no one had paid any third quarter bills. The fourth quarter bills had to be reprinted. Thank heaven it was someone else causing the problem.

On the bills for Fiscal 1994 we began making payments for the Donahue School portion of the Debt Exclusion.

The Assessors office and the Town Accountant spent some time in Boston at the Department of Revenue to make sure everything ran smoothly in getting a tax rate approved.

In the coming year, Merrimac will be under full school regionalization and we believe the Dr. Sweetsir School, Pentucket Regional High and Jr. High building projects will be added to the Debt Exclusion.

The Board is also in the midst of another recertification for Fiscal 1995.

All this makes for a new adventurous year.

Edward R. Davis, *MAA Chairman*

Term Expires 1994

Martha A. Schena, *MAA*

Term Expires 1995

George W. Mutti, *MAA*

Term Expires 1996

Joyce E. Clohecy, *Clerk*

### Tax Rate Recapitulation Fiscal 1993

#### 1. Tax Rate Summary

A. Total Amount to be raised.....	\$6,636,456.21
B. Estimated Receipts and Revenue .....	3,236,964.27
C. Net Amount to be raised by Taxation .....	3,399,491.94
D. Classified Tax Levies:	

Residential	90.8935
Open Space	0
Commercial	5.3341
Industrial	2.4366
Personal	1.3358
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

#### 2. Amount to be Raised

A. Appropriations .....	\$6,444,213.16
B1. Tax Title.....	5,000.00
B5. Cherry Sheet Offsets .....	5,291.00
B6. Revenue Deficits .....	101,853.66
C. State and County Charges .....	35,858.00
D. Overlay.....	44,239.94
E. Total Amount to be Raised .....	\$6,636,456.21

3. Estimated Receipts and Other Revenue Sources

A. Estimated Receipts - State .....	\$705,104.00
B. Estimated Receipts - Local.....	1,499,814.28
C. Revenue Appropriated .....	232,074.99
D. Other Revenues to Reduce Tax Rate.....	799,971.00
E. Total .....	\$3,236,964.27

Number of Accounts Taxable - Real Estate:

Apartment Buildings .....	4
Commercial .....	51
Condominium .....	107
Industrial.....	21
Residential - single family .....	1189
Residential - two family .....	131
Residential - three family .....	7
Residential - four family.....	5
Residential/Commercial Mixed .....	43
Residential Land.....	291

# MERRIMAC RECYCLING COMMITTEE

## 1993 ANNUAL REPORT

The recycling program had a fabulous year! We saw a 60 percent increase in the amount of material collected, increasing from 1.86 tons in 1992 to 110.39 tons in 1993. These recycling efforts reduce the amount of trash going to our landfill, while accruing financial benefits to the community. If the town of Merrimac was paying a trash disposal fee similar to area towns (for example, one neighboring town pays \$85.00/ton for trash disposal), Merrimac would have saved almost \$10,000 in 1993 alone. In addition, in the first 6 months of FY94, recycling revenues exceed expenses by over \$900.

In 1993, the biweekly collection program expanded to include glass, mixed paper and cereal boxes. The recycling program also saw the addition of special collection days for waste oil and car batteries, white goods, scrap metals, and Christmas trees. A breakdown of materials collected, comparing 1992 to 1993 appears below. In the first 6 months of 1994, the recycling program will expand further to include plastics (no. 1 through 6) and textiles, including used clothing, linens and stuffed toys.

Material	1992	1993
Metal Cans	3020 lbs	14,151 lbs
Aluminum Cans	701 lbs	1,761 lbs
Paper	no records	141,540 lbs
Glass	N/A	28,700 lbs
Scrap Metal	N/A	34,632 lbs
White Goods	N/A	157 pieces
Tires	721 tires	527 tires
Car Batteries	N/A	158 batteries
Waste Oil	N/A	940 gallons
Leaves	no records	300 cubic yards
Xmas Trees	N/A	142

This past year, we saw many new faces at the recycling center. The Recycling Committee thanks Merrimac residents for their commitment to recycling. We hope to see many more new faces in 1994!

Respectfully submitted,

The Recycling Committee

Patricia Dillon, *Chairperson*

Bruce Evans

Charlotte Gulezian

Debbie Knight

Mary Lyon

Walter Perkins

Joseph Slogar

Laura Weaver

P.S. The Recycling Committee would like to thank the Harbor School students and their instructor, Ed Perot, for constructing our recycling shed.

## MERRIMAC PLAYGROUND COMMISSION

To: The Citizens of Merrimac and the Honorable Board of Selectmen

The Playground Commission was able to maintain existing programs in the 1993 season. The recreational facilities and programs of the town would not exist without the many volunteers who give their time to keep our programs running. Our thanks goes out to all those who have served as coaches, umpires, scorekeepers, groundskeepers and fundraisers in order to provide for the recreational needs of the children of Merrimac. The Merrimac Soccer Club and Merrimac Baseball Organization continued to service over two hundred children in the town.

Due to insufficient funds, the Commission was unable to offer full service and maintenance at Indian Head Park. It remains a goal of the Commission to upgrade this (potentially) wonderful resource and open it to more members of our community.

The main playing areas were maintained in a satisfactory manner. We congratulate our maintenance staff on their fine work and thank the volunteers who helped to maintain our playing facilities. It is important that these town resources be serviced and maintained properly. The most immediate concern of the Commission is the need for a new tractor/mower.

Summer supervised play again enrolled over 150 children for the summer program. Due to the school building project the program was relocated for one summer to the Sweetsir School. We thank the School Department for a continuing amiable and reciprocal relationship. We anticipate the completion of new tennis courts this spring as a result of the Locust Street project.

It is impossible to thank all of the people responsible for a successful recreational program in Merrimac. Any list fails to convey the breadth and depth of assistance the Commission receives each year. Thank you to all of you for your persistence and generosity. We would like to mention a few of those who have led the way. Thanks to all of those responsible for construction of a valuable and needed facility at the Little League field. Your contribution of time, energy and money will be appreciated by generations of baseball and softball players. The Merrimac Soccer Club continues to service a great number of youth in Merrimac as well as being responsible for much of the maintenance of the Town Forest Field. The Highway Department, once again, was invaluable in helping the Commission in a variety of ways and helped to substantially reduce our costs of operation. Layco, Inc. generously offered expertise, equipment and time to encourage field development. The Friends of the Merrimac Playground deserve our gratitude and appreciation for keeping alive the dream of Carriage Town Park. As Merrimac continues to grow, additional facilities are desperately needed. This recreational area will become a valuable asset to the town and serve a wide variety of needs. All of the funding for the project is being raised and coordinated by the Friends of the Merrimac Playground. Please forward your donations to them!

Finally, a special thanks and fond adieu to John Wilman, who ended his fine service to the Commission and the town last year. His generosity of spirit and time and his dedication to the needs of the youth of Merrimac will be missed.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Stevens, *Chairman*

**ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
MERRIMAC PUBLIC LIBRARY  
for the Year Ending December 31, 1993**

The Trustees of the Merrimac Public Library are pleased to present to the Board of Selectmen and the citizens of Merrimac their 118th annual report.

The largest and most important project completed this year was the installation of a Local Area Network (LAN) system to expand the library's computer technology and enhance services for our patrons. After the necessary legal advertising, the contract for installation and materials was awarded to Advanced Network Associates of Wendham, New Hampshire. Installation was completed in September. The tax payers will be gratified to know that every cent of the \$12,000 project was paid from state aid monies accrued over the last several years.

The new system has increased our computer work stations from one to five and provides each with access to the file server. The expanded capabilities of the patron "search option" goes way beyond the limits of our in-house collection and has been recognized as a wonderful tool for such a small library.

In October, an Open House was conducted by the staff to demonstrate the advantages and capabilities of our new system to the administration, library staff, and teachers of the Pentucket School District and the local elementary schools. The system was designed with an eye to the day when there can be a technological link up with the local elementary school libraries.

We are also pleased to report that the Merrimac Public Library has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$5,000 through the Federal Library Services Construction Act (LSCA). The money is to be spent on enhancing reference materials for children and young adults. Although the grant money arrived late in the year, we have already purchased a full set of North American biographies and have ordered many other materials. Our library director, Carole McCarthy, is to be commended for all her work in securing this grant.

For too long now (since the first level funded budgets) janitorial services have been paid from the interest on the Thomas H. Hoyt Trust Funds. This is not only a violation of the intended purpose of the trust funds, but with interest rates presently at rock bottom, there is simply not enough money being generated for this monthly expense. In the budget for fiscal year 1995 we will be asking for this cost to be covered in our regular expense account.

Again, this year, we are indebted to several groups and individuals for their help and assistance. The Arts Lottery Council purchased a family pass for patron use at the Museum of Science. The Friends of the Library, under the leadership of their tireless President, Liz Tucker, have made many enrichment services and programs possible through monetary support.

Memorial contributions in behalf of Ruth Parker, long time Pentucket Regional High School Librarian, and Eida V. Jersey, chairman of this board of

library trustees for many years, were very kindly directed to the Merrimac Public Library by the families of the deceased. We thank the donors and the families for their generosity. A more fitting remembrance for these two library stalwarts cannot be imagined.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey W. Hoyt, *Chairman*

**Merrimac Public Library Board of Trustees**

Linda Claeys, 20 Little Pond Road

Term Expires: 1995

Susan M. Coburn, 42 River Road

Term Expires: 1994

Yvonne Daniels Cosgrove, 3 Forest Street

Term Expires: 1996

Bruce D. Evans, 25 Wet Main Street

Term Expires: 1994

Jeffrey W. Hoyt, 74 Birch Meadow Road

Term Expires: 1995

Joy Kimball, 32 Grove Street

Term Expires: 1996

# LIBRARY STATISTICS FOR 1993

<b>CIRCULATION</b>	<b>ADULTS</b>	<b>JUVENILES</b>	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Books and Periodicals	21,364	18,973	41,077	
Audio/Video	3,629	2,031	5,660	46,737
<b>ACQUISITIONS</b>				
Purchased materials	1,132	927	2,059	
Donations	278	51	329	2,388
<b>WITHDRAWN</b>				
Books	532	356	888	
Nonprint	12	42	54	942
<b>INVENTORY</b>				
Books	17,411	11,734	29,145	
Periodicals	63	7	70	
Videocassettes	427	85	512	
Audio cassettes	245		245	
Multi Media Kits		228	228	
Computer Programs (in library use)	1	2	3	30,203
<b>LOANS TO</b>				
ILL (interlibrary loan)	378			378
<b>BORROWED FROM</b>				
ILL	532			532
Supplementary				
Deposit Center	496			496
<b>TOTAL ACTIVE PATRONS</b>				2,601
Story Hours	87		Crafts	30
Community Meetings	22		Special Programs	5

Respectfully submitted,

Carole McCarthy, *Director*

# REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

To the honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac Massachusetts:

I hereby submit my annual report of the activities of the Police Department for the year 1993.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

General Services .....	1,740
Forcible Rape .....	1
Robbery .....	1
Aggravated Assault .....	6
Breaking & Entering .....	41
Larceny .....	46
Stolen Motor Vehicles .....	11
Recovered Motor Vehicles .....	10
Non-Aggravated Assault .....	1
Receiving Stolen Property .....	1
Vandalism .....	109
Weapon Violations .....	24
Sex Offenses .....	3
Drug Law Violations .....	1
Gambling .....	1
Offenses Against Family & Children .....	2
Operating Under the Influence .....	2
Disorderly conduct .....	1
Field Investigations .....	112
General Offenses .....	7
Trespassing .....	8
Civil Complaints .....	15
Juvenile Offenses .....	63
Local Ordinance Violations .....	38
Missing Persons .....	25
Lost & Found .....	43
General Disturbance .....	68
Family Disturbances .....	43
Gathering Disturbances .....	32
Youths Playing in Street .....	21
Noise Complaints .....	84
Annoying Phone Calls .....	66
Suspicious Activity .....	225
Officer Wanted .....	812
Escorts .....	3
Prisoner Transports .....	4
Assist Citizens .....	228
Tow .....	8
Transport .....	39
Building Checks .....	244
Message Deliveries .....	335
Animal Complaints .....	199
Assist Municipal Agencies .....	186
Highway Department .....	63
Light Department .....	52

Water Department.....	31
State Department of Public Works.....	40
Emergency Services .....	4
Ambulance .....	209
Medical/Mental Services.....	8
Reported Deaths.....	4
Incapacitated Persons .....	14
Fire Alarms .....	115
Burglar Alarms.....	364
Assist Other Police Departments.....	277
Traffic Complaints .....	1,232
Speeding Complaints .....	8
Vehicle Accidents .....	20
Personal Injury.....	20
Vehicle Accidents .....	66
Traffic Control .....	17
Abandoned Motor Vehicles .....	21
Intra-Department Services.....	20
Days in Superior Court .....	3
Days in District Court .....	146
Service Cruiser.....	2
Vehcile Pursuits .....	6
Summons Served.....	35
Citations Issued.....	570
Warnings .....	22
Summons .....	499
Arrests .....	49

### **ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR 1993**

Male Residents .....	28
Male Non-Residents.....	55
Female Residents .....	3
Female Non-Residents .....	6
Male Residents (Juveniles) .....	4

### **PROTECTIVE CUSTODY FOR THE YEAR 1993**

Male Residents .....	8
Male Non-Residents.....	5
Female Residents .....	2
Female Non-Residents .....	2
Male Residents (Juveniles) .....	2

Please allow me to take this opportunity to thank the Citizens, all other Town Departments and Town Officials for their continued support of my Department.

As the Town grows, we would like to be prepared to meet these new challenges. I am sure that all who enjoy living in a small Community will continue in the same spirit throughout the coming years.

Respectfully submitted,  
 James A. Flynn, Jr.  
 Chief of Police

CATEGORY	NUMBER CHARGED		FINED	DISMISSED	NOT GUILTY	APPEALED	CONTINUED	DYS	HOUSE OF CORRECTION	FILED	RESTITUTION	OTHER	TOTAL FINES
	CHARGED	DISMISSED											
Assault & Battery	2											Pending 2	
Assault & Battery with a Dangerous Weapon	2											Pending 2	
Assault & Battery on a Police Officer	1											Probation 1	
Assisting	1											Pending 1	
Armed Robbery	1											Pending 1	
Domestic Abuse	2											Pending 2	
Larceny	4	2							1			Probation 1	\$ 500.00
Larceny of a Motor Vehicle	3						1					Pending 2	
Receiving Stolen Property	3							1				Pending 2	
Violation of a 209A	1											Pending 1	
Attempted Rape	1											Nolle Prost 1	
Rape	2											Nolle Prost 1	
Indecent Assault & Battery on a Child under 14	1											Pending 1	
Cultivating Cl D Substance	1											Pending 1	
Possession of a Cl D Substance	2		1									Pending 1	
Stalking	1											Pending 1	
Attempt to Commit a Crime	1											Pending 1	
Threat to Commit a Crime	1											Pending 1	

CATEGORY	NUMBER CHARGED	FINED	DISMISSED	NOT GUILTY	APPEALED	CONTINUED	DYS	HOUSE OF CORRECTION	FILED	RESTITUTION	OTHER	TOTAL FINES
Disorderly Conduct	11	2	4			1					Pending 4	\$ 250.00
Possession of a Dangerous Weapon	2		1					1				
Disturbing the Peace	2		.			1					Probation 1	
Malicious Destruction to Property	1										Pending 1	
Leaving the Scene of an Accident	3					1					Pending 2	
Operating Under the Influence of Intoxicating Liquor	20							4			Probation 3 Pending 13	
Minor Transporting Alcohol	4	2	1								Pending 1	\$ 200.00
Minor in Possession of Alcohol	4	1				1	1				Pending 1	\$ 50.00
Abandonment of a Motor Vehicle	2										Pending 2	
Operating as to Endanger	11	3	2			1					Probation 1 Pending 4	\$ 800.00
Operating after Suspension/Revocation	33	8	4					2			Pending 19	\$ 3,300.00
Unregistered Motor Vehicle	22	5	2	2				3			Pending 10	\$ 500.00
Uninsured Motor Vehicle	16	3	3								Pending 10	\$ 1,500.00
Attaching Plates	5	1									Pending 4	\$ 100.00
Giving False Information to a Police Officer	4										Probation 1 Pending 3	
Refusing to Stop for a Police Officer	7	1						2			Pending 4	

CATEGORY	NUMBER CHARGED	FINED	DISMISSED	NOT GUILTY	APPEALED	CONTINUED	DYS	HOUSE OF CORRECTION	FILED	RESTITUTION	OTHER	TOTAL FINES
Speeding	353	290		50					5		Pending 8	\$30,535.00
No Inspection Sticker	35	32		3								\$ 1,585.00
Stop Sign Violations	53	39		10					3		Pending 1	\$ 1,950.00
Marked Lanes Violations	31	12		3					7		Pending 9	\$ 1,150.00
No License in Possession	33	17	3	4		1			3		Pending 6	\$ 600.00
Alteration of License	2		1								Pending 1	
Revoked Registration	2										Pending 2	
No Registration in Possession	4	1		2							Pending 1	\$ 35.00
Defective Equipment	14	13		1								\$ 550.00
Permitting Operation of an Unregistered Vehicle	1										Pending 1	
Permitting Operation of an Uninsured Vehicle	1										Pending 1	
Child without Restraint	5	2		3								\$ 50.00
Failure to Report Change of Address	3	1	1								Pending 1	\$ 35.00
Improper Starting & Turning	2	2										\$ 75.00
Improper Plates	2	2										\$ 60.00
Wearing Headphones while Driving	1	1										\$ 35.00
Unnecessary Noise	2	1		1								\$ 50.00
Open Container	1										Pending 1	

CATEGORY	NUMBER CHARGED	FINED	DISMISSED	NOT GUILTY	APPEALED	CONTINUED	DYS	HOUSE OF CORRECTION	FILED	RESTITUTION	OTHER	TOTAL FINES
Allowing Unlicensed Person to Operate a Motor Vehicle	2								1	Pending 1		
Failure to Stop at a Pedestrian Crossing	1	1										\$ 100.00
Operating RV on a Public Way	1		1									
Failure to Use Caution at an Intersection	1	1										\$ 35.00
Spillable Load	1	1										\$ 200.00
											TOTAL FINES	\$ 44,345.00
ON WARRANTS												Amesbury 1 Civilian 1 Haverhill 1 Ipswich 1 Merrimac 6 Methuen 1 Newbury 1 Newburyport 3 Lawrence 1 No. Andover 1 Peabody 1 Salisbury 1 State Police 1

# TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Enclosed herewith is the Town Accountant's Report for Fiscal Year 1993. I want to thank you for your cooperation during the year and the assistance you have rendered me.

Respectfully submitted,

David Hitchcock  
Town Accountant

TOWN OF MERRIMAC

DETAILED STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES GENERAL FUND

PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 1993

	APPROPRIATIONS				TOTAL		BALANCE
CONTINUED APPROPRIATIONS	GENERAL BUDGET	SPECIAL ARTICLES	RECEIPT	TRANSFERS	BUDGETED	EXPENDED	JUNE 30, 1993
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>							
FINANCE COMMITTEE EXPENSE	0.00	1100.00	0.00	0.00	1100.00	1021.83	78.17
SELECTMEN SALARIES	0.00	3100.00	0.00	0.00	3100.00	3100.00	0.00
SELECTMEN SECRETARY SALARY	0.00	17604.00	0.00	0.00	17604.00	17604.00	0.00
SELECTMEN EXPENSE	0.00	2987.00	0.00	0.00	2987.00	2493.28	493.72
ADMIN SUPPORT SERVICES	0.00	1500.00	0.00	0.00	1500.00	1500.00	0.00
ACCOUNTANT SALARY	0.00	25673.00	0.00	0.00	25673.00	25673.00	0.00
ACCOUNTANT EXPENSE	0.00	2140.00	0.00	0.00	2140.00	2173.98	6.12
TREASURER SALARY	0.00	15345.00	0.00	0.00	15345.00	15344.68	0.32
TREASURER EXPENSE	0.00	7500.00	0.00	0.00	7500.00	7440.66	59.34
TAX COLLECTOR SALARY	0.00	9450.00	0.00	0.00	9450.00	9450.00	0.00
TAX COLLECTOR CLERK SALARY	0.00	8400.00	0.00	0.00	8400.00	8400.00	0.00
TAX COLLECTOR EXPENSE	0.00	6500.00	0.00	300.00	6500.00	6918.97	-118.97
ASSESSOR SALARIES	0.00	5153.00	0.00	0.00	5153.00	5153.00	0.00
ASSESSOR CLERK SALARY	0.00	15288.00	0.00	0.00	15288.00	15288.00	0.00
ASSESSOR EXPENSE	0.00	3240.00	0.00	0.00	3240.00	3240.00	0.00
TOWN COUNSEL SALARY	0.00	3157.00	0.00	0.00	3157.00	3157.00	0.00
TOWN COUNSEL EXPENSE	0.00	3800.00	0.00	0.00	3800.00	2935.00	865.00
TOWN CLERK SALARY	0.00	6433.00	0.00	0.00	6433.00	6433.00	0.00
TOWN CLERK EXPENSE	0.00	950.00	0.00	0.00	950.00	879.57	70.43
BOARD OF REGISTRARS SALARIES	0.00	350.00	0.00	0.00	350.00	350.00	0.00
BOARD OF REGISTRARS EXPENSE	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	191.49	8.51
CENSUS TAKER EXPENSE	0.00	475.00	0.00	0.00	475.00	475.00	0.00
ELECTION OFFICERS SALARIES	0.00	2420.00	0.00	0.00	2420.00	2002.11	417.89
ELECTION OFFICERS EXPENSE	0.00	450.00	0.00	0.00	450.00	46.84	403.16
PLANNING BOARD EXPENSE	0.00	725.00	0.00	0.00	725.00	286.76	438.24
BOARD OF APPEALS EXPENSE	0.00	1500.00	0.00	0.00	1500.00	1325.51	174.49
BONDING TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSE	0.00	890.00	0.00	0.00	890.00	850.00	30.00
TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE EXPENSE	0.00	5088.00	0.00	0.00	5088.00	4349.13	738.87
TOWN HALL HEATING	0.00	2850.00	0.00	0.00	2850.00	2198.13	651.87
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS EXPENSE	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS OIL HEAT	0.00	5509.00	0.00	0.00	5509.00	4903.79	595.21
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS GAS HEAT	0.00	2313.00	0.00	0.00	2313.00	2313.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>162581.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>300.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>162881.00</b>	<b>157467.63</b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>							
POLICE CHIEF SALARY	0.00	37236.00	0.00	0.00	37236.00	37236.00	0.00
PATROLMEN WAGES	0.00	84733.00	0.00	0.00	84733.00	84623.50	109.40
NIGHT PREMIUM	0.00	6073.00	0.00	0.00	6073.00	4928.72	1144.28
PAID HOLIDAYS	0.00	3571.00	0.00	0.00	3571.00	3571.00	0.00
COURT TIME	0.00	5000.00	0.00	1000.00	5000.00	5974.70	25.30
OVERTIME	0.00	2109.00	0.00	0.00	2109.00	2085.96	22.04
SPECIALS	0.00	34302.00	0.00	0.00	34302.00	34300.00	2.00
CROSSING GUARDS	0.00	6696.00	0.00	0.00	6696.00	6696.00	0.00

DISPATCHERS WAGES	0.00	64214.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	64214.00	64204.17	9.83
FUEL EXPENSE	0.00	8079.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8079.00	7922.97	156.03
REGULAR EXPENSE	0.00	10224.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10224.00	10218.10	5.90
POLICE LONGEVITY	0.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	0.00	1600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1600.00	1587.00	13.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT WAGES	0.00	46430.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	46430.00	46430.00	0.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT EXPENSE	0.00	21795.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	21795.00	21789.08	5.92
E M T WAGES	0.00	9503.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9503.00	9503.00	0.00
AMBULANCE EXPENSE	0.00	5830.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5830.00	5808.66	21.34
CIVIL DEFENSE SALARY	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
CIVIL DEFENSE EXPENSE	0.00	700.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	700.00	699.61	0.39
GAS INSPECTOR SALARY	0.00	600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	600.00	600.00	0.00
GAS INSPECTOR EXPENSE	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	148.00	2.00
WIRING INSPECTOR SALARY	0.00	2400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2400.00	2400.00	0.00
WIRING INSPECTOR EXPENSE	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
BUILDING INSPECTOR SALARY	0.00	5600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5600.00	5600.00	0.00
BUILDING INSPECTOR EXPENSE	0.00	240.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	240.00	160.00	80.00
PLUMBING INSPECTOR SALARY	0.00	800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	800.00	0.00
PLUMBING INSPECTOR EXPENSE	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
TREE WARDEN SALARY	0.00	480.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	480.00	480.00	0.00
TREE WARDEN EXPENSE	0.00	2875.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2875.00	2875.00	0.00
DOG OFFICER SALARY	0.00	1650.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1650.00	1650.00	0.00
DOG OFFICER EXPENSE	0.00	400.00	0.00	540.85	0.00	940.85	726.08	214.77
PARKING CLERK SALARY	0.00	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
PARKING CLERK EXPENSE	0.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	164.05	85.95
 TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	0.00	365090.00	0.00	1540.85	0.00	366630.85	364680.70	1950.15
 HEALTH								
BOARD OF HEALTH EXPENSE	0.00	1506.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1506.00	756.38	747.62
FOOD SERVICE OFFICER	0.00	202.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	202.00	0.00	202.00
TOWN NURSE SALARY	0.00	2500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2500.00	2400.67	99.33
TOWN NURSE EXPENSE	0.00	80.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	80.00	80.00	0.00
HEALTH INSPECTOR EXPENSE	0.00	3200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3200.00	1568.73	1531.27
ANIMAL INSPECTOR SALARY	0.00	350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	350.00	350.00	0.00
ANIMAL INSPECTOR EXPENSE	0.00	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.00	30.00	0.00
MILK INSPECTOR SALARY	0.00	27.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	27.00	0.00	27.00
MILK INSPECTOR EXPENSE	0.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00	0.00	20.00
SEWER COMMISSIONERS SALARIES	0.00	1600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1600.00	1600.00	0.00
SEWER COMMISSIONERS EXPENSE	0.00	1110.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1110.00	1110.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT SALARIES	0.00	83727.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	83727.00	83727.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT OVERTIME	0.00	4410.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4410.00	4410.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT UTILITIES	0.00	43500.00	0.00	0.00	6000.00	37500.00	37500.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT EQUIP & MAINT	0.00	17000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17000.00	17000.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT PURCHASED SERVICES	0.00	18500.00	0.00	750.00	0.00	19250.00	19250.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT ESCAV & ROADWORK	0.00	2000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2000.00	2000.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT SLUDGE	0.00	17000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17000.00	17000.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT REPLACEMENT FD.	0.00	20000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20000.00	20000.00	0.00
SEWER PLANT CLERK SALARY	0.00	14051.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14051.00	14051.00	0.00
 TOTAL HEALTH	0.00	230813.00	0.00	750.00	6000.00	225563.00	222935.78	2627.22

HIGHWAY							
HIGHWAY SUPERS SALARY	0.00	27781.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	27781.00	27781.00
HIGHWAY WAGES	0.00	43179.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	43179.00	43070.21
HIGHWAY OVERTIME	0.00	11091.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11091.00	8184.99
THICKLY SETTLED	0.00	11000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	11000.00	10947.79
ROAD MACHINERY	0.00	9000.00	0.00	2400.00	0.00	11400.00	11400.00
SNOW & WASHOUTS	0.00	15000.00	22500.00	2500.00	0.00	40000.00	40000.00
HIGHWAY FUEL	0.00	7000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7000.00	7000.00
OILING ROADS	0.00	8750.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8750.00	8750.00
SIDEWALKS,RAILS,BRIDGES	0.00	525.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	525.00	525.00
<b>TOTAL HIGHWAY</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>133326.00</b>	<b>22500.00</b>	<b>4900.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>160726.00</b>	<b>157658.99</b>
<b>PUBLIC ASSISTANCE</b>							
COUNCIL ON AGING							
DIRECTOR SALARY	0.00	14560.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14560.00	12327.75
COUNCIL ON AGING EXPENSE	0.00	3092.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3092.00	3022.18
VETERANS BENEFITS	0.00	2500.00	0.00	0.00	2000.00	500.00	156.50
VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER SALAR	0.00	525.00	0.00	0.00	525.00	0.00	0.00
SERVICE OFFICER EXPENSE	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	0.00
CARE OF VETERANS GRAVES	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
<b>TOTAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>20977.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2725.00</b>	<b>13252.00</b>	<b>15606.03</b>
<b>SCHOOLS</b>							
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	0.00	1730913.00	0.00	5564.54	0.00	1736477.54	1736157.11
WHITTIER ASSESSMENT	0.00	301427.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	301427.00	301427.00
PENTUCKET RESILIAL ASSESSMENT	0.00	1241954.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1241954.00	1241954.00
<b>TOTAL SCHOOLS</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3274294.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5564.54</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3279858.54</b>	<b>3279538.11</b>
<b>LIBRARY</b>							
LIBRARY WAGES	0.00	48193.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	48193.00	48193.09
LIBRARY EXPENSE	0.00	18828.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18828.00	18828.09
<b>TOTAL LIBRARIES</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>67021.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>67021.00</b>	<b>67021.09</b>
<b>PARKS &amp; RECREATION</b>							
PLAYGROUND WAGES	0.00	8000.00	0.00	692.00	0.00	8692.00	8692.00
PLAYGROUND EXPENSE	0.00	8200.00	0.00	385.95	0.00	8585.95	8231.32
<b>TOTAL PARKS &amp; RECREATION</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>16200.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1077.95</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>17257.95</b>	<b>16923.32</b>
<b>UNCLASSIFIED</b>							
PROPERTY & LIABILITY INS	0.00	173000.00	-7114.00	0.00	0.00	165895.00	135895.00
GROUP INSURANCE	0.00	175000.00	-10031.51	0.00	0.00	164968.09	150166.99
MEMORIAL DAY	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00	491.75
VITAL STATISTICS	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	150.00
PRINT TOWN REPORT	0.00	2000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2000.00	1760.00
MERRIMACK VALLEY PLAN COMM	0.00	1409.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1409.00	1409.00
LIGHTS IN TOWN BUILDINGS	0.00	30500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30500.00	30500.00
WATER IN TOWN BUILDINGS	0.00	6000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6000.00	5249.79
RESERVE FUND	0.00	10000.00	0.00	0.00	9677.85	322.15	0.00
UNEMPLOYMENT EXPENSE	0.00	16000.00	9200.00	0.00	0.00	25200.00	25104.45
INTEREST ON TA NOTES	0.00	21250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	21250.00	24795.95
							-3745.95

EMPLOYEE LONGEVITY	0.00	800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	800.00	0.00
PAYROLL PROCESSING	0.00	5400.00	0.00	350.00	0.00	5750.00	5550.14	199.86
EXCISE PROCESSING	0.00	12450.00	0.00	820.00	0.00	13270.00	13269.30	0.70
F.I.C.A. TOWNS SHARE	0.00	20000.00	1831.91	1640.00	0.00	23471.91	23105.10	366.81
ESSEX COUNTY RETIREMENT	0.00	176621.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	176621.00	176621.00	0.00
TREASURER'S T.T. PURPOSES	0.00	0.00	10000.00	85.00	0.00	10085.00	1896.00	B189.00
SEWER LEGAL FEES	0.00	0.00	6000.00	0.00	0.00	6000.00	5983.86	16.14
DUMP OPERATION 93	0.00	0.00	85300.00	0.00	0.00	85300.00	75006.67	9293.33
DUMP ENGINEERING 93	0.00	0.00	21600.00	0.00	0.00	21600.00	19007.01	2592.99
ASSESSORS REVALUATION	0.00	0.00	6000.00	0.00	0.00	6000.00	5472.23	527.77
SEWER INSPECTION	0.00	0.00	2000.00	0.00	0.00	2000.00	450.00	1550.00
FUMP & CONTROLS E. MAIN	0.00	0.00	17500.00	0.00	0.00	17500.00	6251.79	11248.30
RECONDITION, REPLACE E. MAIN ST	0.00	0.00	20000.00	0.00	0.00	20000.00	20000.00	0.00
REDEVELOPE TWO WELLS SARGENT F	0.00	0.00	15000.00	0.00	0.00	15000.00	9575.50	5424.50
POLICE CRUISER	0.00	0.00	15182.00	0.00	0.00	15182.00	14927.00	255.00
RECYCLING EXPENSE	2000.00	0.00	0.00	147.50	0.00	2147.50	1149.68	997.82
OLIMP ENGINEERING 92	705.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	705.40	705.40	0.00
ASSESSORS REVALUATION	2128.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2128.98	2128.98	0.00
ASSESSORS MAPS	1048.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1048.75	211.00	837.75
RENT CONTROL EXPENSE	210.33	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	210.33	0.00	210.33
ASBESTOS SWEETSIR	18046.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18046.90	0.00	18046.90
BELT PRESS SEWER	1354.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1354.67	1350.96	5.71
WATER EXPLORATION	12000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12000.00	0.00	12000.00
WELL DEVELOPMENT	9589.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9589.00	9349.00	240.00
SEWER INSPECTION	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	150.00	0.00
HEATING UNITS (FIRE)	1201.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1201.40	0.00	1201.40
ASSESSORS COMPUTER	2959.41	0.00	0.00	211.00	0.00	3170.41	1730.00	1449.41
ASSESSORS RESERVE	1260.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1260.00	0.00	1260.00
HANDICAP DIAL-A-RIDE	1640.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1640.00	0.00	1640.00

TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED	54294.84	651080.00	192468.00	3253.50	9677.85	891418.49	771407.36	120011.13
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MATURING DEBT								
WATER PROJECT 1980	0.00	10000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10000.00	10000.00	0.00
SEWER # 1	0.00	34500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	34500.00	34500.00	0.00
SEWER # 2	0.00	19565.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	19565.00	19565.00	0.00
MULTI-PURPOSE	0.00	25070.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25070.00	25070.00	0.00
SAND FILTER # 1	0.00	88000.00	0.00	0.00	0.09	88000.00	88000.00	0.00
SAND FILTER # 2	0.00	35000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35000.00	35000.00	0.00
BELT PRESS # 1	0.00	20000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	20000.00	20000.00	0.00
BELT PRESS # 2	0.00	15000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15000.00	15000.00	0.00
TOTAL MATURING DEBT	0.00	247135.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	247135.00	247135.00	0.00

INTEREST ON MATURING DEBT								
WATER PROJECT 1980	0.00	1425.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1425.00	1425.00	0.00
SEWER # 1	0.00	33638.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	33638.00	33637.50	0.50
SEWER # 2	0.00	10272.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10272.00	10271.62	0.38
MULTI-PURPOSE	0.00	4450.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4450.00	4449.93	0.07
SAND FILTER # 1	0.00	112870.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	112870.00	112870.00	0.00
SAND FILTER # 2	0.00	9035.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9035.00	9035.00	0.00
BELT PRESS # 1	0.00	6200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6200.00	6200.00	0.00
BELT PRESS # 2	0.00	4988.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4988.00	4987.50	0.50
TOTAL INTEREST ON MATURING DEBT	0.00	182878.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	182878.00	182876.55	1.45

PUBLIC ENTERPRISE								
WATER DEPARTMENT---								
MANAGER SALARY	0.00	13255.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13256.00	13092.34	153.56
CLERK SALARY	0.00	7223.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	7223.00	7224.48	9.52
WAGES	0.00	70630.00	0.00	3090.48	0.00	73129.48	73033.28	67.20
OVERTIME	0.00	20270.00	-9500.00	0.00	0.00	10770.00	10702.44	67.56
COMMISSIONERS SALARIES	0.00	800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	800.00	799.98	0.02
EXPENSE	0.00	135160.00	16000.00	169.90	0.00	152329.90	149375.69	2954.21
EXCAVATION & ROADWORK	0.00	6015.00	-4900.00	0.00	0.00	1115.00	817.76	297.24
TOTAL PUBLIC ENTERPRISE	0.00	257764.00	1600.00	3260.38	0.00	258624.38	255045.97	3579.41

CEMETERY								
CEMETERY WAGES	0.00	18400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18400.00	18400.00	0.00
TRUSTEES	0.00	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	150.00	0.00
CLERK	0.00	893.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	893.00	893.00	0.00
CARE, IMPROV & EMBELLISHMENT	16.84	0.00	1670.00	0.00	0.00	1886.84	1850.73	36.11
TOTAL CEMETERIES	16.84	19443.00	1670.00	0.00	0.00	21329.84	21293.73	36.11

TOTAL APPROPRIATION & EXPENDIT	54311.65	5624602.00	218138.00	20627.02	18400.85	5899576.05	5759590.26	139985.79
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TOWN OF NEPRIMAC  
FINAL TRIAL BALANCE  
JUNE 30, 1933

FUND #	ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT TITLE	DEBIT	CREDIT
01-1020-000		PETTY CASH	390.00	
01-1040-000		CASH UNRESTRICTED CHECKING	203,703.77	
TAXES RECEIVABLE				
01-1210-093		PERSONAL PROPERTY	5,738.02	
01-1210-092		PERSONAL PROPERTY	1,978.99	
01-1210-091		PERSONAL PROPERTY	1,184.44	
01-1210-090		PERSONAL PROPERTY	656.14	
01-1210-089		PERSONAL PROPERTY	263.51	
01-1210-088		PERSONAL PROPERTY	162.34	
01-1220-094		REAL ESTATE	0.00	
01-1220-093		REAL ESTATE	232,665.68	
01-1220-092		REAL ESTATE	37,361.68	
		OVERLAY		
01-1230-093		ALLOW. FOR ABATEMENTS & EXEMPTIONS	11,758.77	
01-1230-092		ALLOW. FOR ABATEMENTS & EXEMPTIONS	46,616.21	
01-1230-090		ALLOW. FOR ABATEMENTS & EXEMPTIONS	1,417.82	
01-1230-088		ALLOW. FOR ABATEMENTS & EXEMPTIONS	504.97	
01-1240-000		TAX LIENS RECEIVABLE	25,753.20	
01-1260-093		M.V. EXCISE	29,694.93	
01-1260-092		M.V. EXCISE	3,636.11	
01-1260-091		M.V. EXCISE	2,565.79	
01-1260-090		M.V. EXCISE	5,505.34	
01-1260-089		M.V. EXCISE	93.96	
01-1260-088		M.V. EXCISE	53.82	
01-1260-087		M.V. EXCISE	0.00	
01-1260-086		M.V. EXCISE	0.00	
01-1260-085		M.V. EXCISE	263.04	
01-1260-084		M.V. EXCISE	264.57	
01-1260-081		M.V. EXCISE	75.22	
01-1270-091		BOAT EXCISE	11.34	
01-1270-090		BOAT EXCISE	448.00	
01-1270-089		BOAT EXCISE	641.50	
01-1270-088		BOAT EXCISE	577.00	
01-1270-086		BOAT EXCISE	20.00	
01-1270-083		BOAT EXCISE	15.00	
01-1270-082		BOAT EXCISE	2.00	
01-1310-000		USER CHARGES A/R WATER	16,146.10	
01-1311-000		USER CHARGES A/R SEWER	11,391.33	
01-1330-092		UTILITY LIENS WATER	15,722.54	
01-1330-091		UTILITY LIENS WATER	2,861.21	
01-1330-086		UTILITY LIENS WATER	138.34	
01-1331-092		UTILITY LIENS SEWER	9,883.20	
01-1331-091		UTILITY LIENS SEWER	4,617.90	
01-1340-001		DEPARTMENTAL A/R AMBULANCE	13,017.38	
01-1410-000		UNAPPORTIONED SPEC. ASSESS.	79,978.85	

01-1470-093	975.50
01-1470-032	1,256.63
01-1880-000	32,601.34
	0.00
A/R SEWER APPORTIONMENT	
A/R SEWER APPORTIONMENT	
TAX FORECLOSURES	
MISCELLANEOUS	
PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS PAYABLE	6,107.62
ABAN. PROPERTY/UNCLAIMED ITEMS	0.00
ESCROW	196.94
ESCROW-PLANNING BOARD	6,662.00
DEPOSIT HELD TO GUARANTEE PAYMENT	14,538.85
OTHER LIABILITIES-INTEREST ON C.D.	7,056.85

DEFERRED REVENUE

01-2610-000	0.00
01-2622-000	
01-2623-000	
01-2630-000	
01-2641-000	
01-2651-000	
01-2653-000	
01-2654-000	
01-2660-000	
01-2710-000	
	0.00
REAL & PERSONAL PROPERTY	
TAX LIENS	
TAX FORECLOSURES	
M.V. EXCISE	
BOAT EXCISE	
USER CHARGES	
UTILITY LIENS	
DEPARTMENTAL	
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT SEWER	
TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE PAYABLE	
FUND BALANCE-----	
CONTINUED APPROPRIATIONS	
RESERVE FOR EXPENDITURES	
RESERVE FOR PETTY CASH	
RECEIPT RES. FOR APPROP. -SEWER	
RECEIPT RES. FOR APPROP. -WATER	
RECEIPT RES. FOR APPROP. -CONS. COMM.	
UNRESTRICTED/UNDESIGNATED F.B.	
UNRESTRICTED F.B. OVER/UNDER	
UNRES. DESIGNATED APPROP. DEFICIT	

01-3214-000	78,115.64
01-3240-000	0.00
01-3250-000	380.00
01-3250-001	76,396.17
01-3250-002	110,880.83
01-3250-003	1,040.00
01-3590-000	0.00
01-3591-000	0.00
01-3592-000	0.00
BUDGETARY	
ESTIMATED TAX LEVY	0.00
ESTIMATED OTHER REVENUE	0.00
EST. OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES	0.00
APPROPRIATIONS	0.00
OTHER AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURES	0.00
EST. OTHER FINANCIAL USES	0.00
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE	0.00
BUDGETARY CONTROL	0.00
	0.00
ACTUAL REVENUE	0.00
OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES	0.00
EXPENDITURES	0.00
PRIOR YEAR EXPENDITURES	0.00
OTHER FINANCIAL USES	0.00

759,911.10

01-4000	REVENUE CONTROL	0.00
01-4110	PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	0.00
01-4120	REAL ESTATE TAXES	0.00
01-4142	TAX LIENS	0.00
01-4150	M.V. EXCISE	0.00
01-4161	BOAT EXCISE	0.00
01-4171	INTEREST & PENALTIES REAL & P.P.	0.00
01-4172	INTEREST & PENALTIES EXCISE	0.00
01-4173	TAX TITLE INTEREST	0.00
01-4174	TAX TITLE COSTS	0.00
01-4180	PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES	0.00
01-4220	SEWER BETTERMENTS	0.00
01-4270	OTHER CHARGES	0.00
01-4270	DEPARTMENTAL	0.00
01-4211	WATER	0.00
01-4214	SEWER	0.00
01-4321	FEES	0.00
01-4321	FEES TRAILER PARKS	0.00
01-4360	RENTALS	0.00
01-4410	LIQUOR LICENSE	0.00
01-4450	PERMITS	0.00
01-4613	REIMBURSE - VETERANS	0.00
01-4614	SURVIVING SPOUSE	0.00
01-4615	BLIND PERSONS	0.00
01-4645	ABATEMENT TO THE ELDERLY	0.00
01-4621	CHAPTER 70	0.00
01-4623	HIGHWAY CONSRVT. & MAINT.	0.00
01-4630	SCHOOL CONSRTRCTION	0.00
01-0000	R.M.V. FINES	0.00
01-4646	TRANS. OF PUPILS	0.00
01-4671	LOTTERY. BEANO	0.00
01-4770	FINES	0.00
01-4820	EARINGS ON INVESTMENTS	0.00
01-4840	MISCELLANIOUS - PENSION	0.00

FUND # 13		HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS	
013-1040	CASH UNRESTRICTED CHECKING	79,859.45	79,859.45
013-3214	CHAPTER 90		
			79,859.45
		TOTAL	

FUND # 29	SPECIAL REVENUE	FUND BALANCE
29-1040-000	CASH UNRESTRICTED CHECKING	RECEIPTS SALE OF CEMETERY LOTS RECEIPTS STATE AID TO LIBRARIES
		1,760.00 10,072.04
		16,994.84

29-3520-002	DESIG. FOR STATE GRANTS ART'S COUNCIL	4,818.47
29-3520-003	DESIG. FOR STATE GRANTS COA ELDER AFFAIRS	543.58
29-3520-007	DESIG. FOR STATE GRANTS CIVIL DEFENSE	1,000.00
29-3520-005	DESIG. FOR STATE GRANTS SCHOOL TITLE VI B	(10,294.50)
29-3560-000	DESIG. FOR REVOL. FDS. EXTENDED DAY	1,140.00
29-3560-000	DESIG. FOR REVOLVING FDS. SCHOOL RENTAL	677.21
29-3560-001	DESIG. FOR DESIG. FOR REVOLVING FUNDS SCHOOL LUNCH	(1,056.42)
29-3560-002	DESIG. FOR REVOLVING FUNDS POLICE DEPT.	460.00
29-3560-003	DESIG. FOR REVOLVING FUNDS DAMAGE REST. POLICE	447.38
29-3560-006	DESIG. FOR REVOLVING FUNDS WATER DAMAGE REST.	2,175.95
29-4699-001	DESIG. FOR STATE GRANTS POLL HOURS	0.00
29-4690-001	DESIG. FOR STATE GRANTS LIBRARY INCENTIVE	2,366.50
29-4690-002	DESIG. FOR STATE GRANTS MUNIC. EQUAL.	2,878.63
	TOTAL	16,994.84

FUND #	30	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS
30-1040-000	CASH UNRESTRICTED CHECKING	0.00
30-1040-002	CASH UNRESTRICTED CHECKING	929,286.02
30-3190-000	WATER SAND FILTER PROJECT	0.00
30-3190-002	SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT	929,286.02
	TOTAL	929,286.02

FUND #	62	ENTERPRISE LIGHT OPERATIONS
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62-1040-000	CASH UNRESTRICTED CHECKING	15,381.83
62-1050-000	CASH UNRESTRICTED SAVINGS	204,392.14
62-1310-000	USER CHARGES RECEIVABLE	133,318.71
62-2651-000	DEFERRED REVENUE-USER CHARGES	133,318.71
62-3289-000	F/B RESERVE FOR SPECIAL PURPOSES	204,392.14
62-3190-001	APPROPRIATIONS 1392	15,381.83
	TOTAL	353,092.68

FUND #	82	NON-EXPENDABLE TRUST
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82-1050-000	CASH UNRESTRICTED SAVINGS	170,259.87
82-3400-007	UNRESTRICTED FUND BALANCE	170,259.87
	DESIGNATED PERPETUAL CARE	
	TOTAL	170,259.87

84-1040-000	CASH UNRESTRICTED CHECKING	25,797.74
84-1050-000	CASH UNRESTRICTED SAVINGS	79,354.53
	UNRESTRICT. F/BALANCE DESIGNATED--	
84-3400-001	KIMBALL PARK	8,681.36
84-3400-002	ALBERT WADLEIGH	9,115.03
84-3400-003	ARMSTRONG--MCINNIS	5,558.23
84-3400-004	SWEET SIR	5,426.51
84-3400-005	THOMAS HOYT	23,726.60
84-3400-006	STABILIZATION FUND	22,427.75
84-3400-007	LIBRARY BOOKS PRINC.	4,600.00
84-3400-008	LIBRARY TRUST-BOOKS	270.62
84-3400-009	CEMETERY PERP. CARE	(3, 138.25)
84-3400-010	KIMBALL PARK CARE	(35.00)
84-3400-011	GROUP INSURANCE	26,748.35
84-3400-012	HARRY ROBINSON LOT	1,771.01
84-3400-013		

## LONG TERM DEBT

AMOUNT TO BE PROVIDED  
FOR PAYMENTS OF BONDS  
997-1996-000  
2,674,790.00

97-2940-000	18,500.00
97-2940-004	655,500.00
97-2940-005	195,650.00
SEWER # 1	50,140.00
SEWER # 2	1,520,000.00
MULTI-PURPOSE	95,000.00
SAND-FILTER # 1	80,000.00
SAND-FILTER # 2	60,000.00
BELT PRESS # 1	
BELT PRESS # 2	

997-3760-000	BOND AUTHORIZED (MEMO)	0.00	0.00
997-3770-000	BONDS AUTH. BUT UNISSUED (MEMO)		
	TOTAL	2,674,790.00	2,674,790.00

CASH SUMMARY		ALL FUNDS
01-1020-000	PETTY CASH	380.00
01-1040-000	CASH GENERAL FUND *	203,703.77
13-1040-000	CASH HIGHWAY FUND *	79,859.45
29-1040-000	CASH SPECIAL REVENUE *	16,994.84
30-1040-000	CASH CAPITOL IMPROV.	929,286.02
62-1040-000	CASH LIGHT DEPARTMENT *	15,381.85

62-1050-000	CASH LIGHT DEPRECIATION	204,392.14
82-1050-000	CASH PERPETUAL CARE	170,259.87
84-1040-000	CASH TRUST FUNDS *	25,797.74
84-1050-000	CASH TRUST FUNDS	79,354.53
	TOTAL	1,725,410.13

CASH BOOK TOTAL \*\* \$1,271,023.65

## MERRIMAC COUNCIL ON AGING

Through direct access, information or referral, the Merrimac Council on Aging links more than 800 local senior citizens to a network of medical, legal and home care services while still providing the educational, cultural and recreational activities needed to serve the whole needs of the town's elderly population.

Despite a 29 percent cut in the council's 1992 budget, cooperative efforts between Elder Services of Merrimack Valley, Director Laura Dillingham-Mailman, the Friends of the Council, dedicated council members and volunteers have successfully increased services and maintained the only local resource facility available to the ever increasing elderly population.

In addition to the wide-range of activities and client advocacy work for frail elders, the council provides both volunteer drivers and financial support to Northern Essex Elder Transport, Inc. The council provided 394 rides, often the only transportation available, to medical appointments, banking and shopping for Merrimac senior citizens through the NEET program in 1993.

During the past year, the Council coordinated 3,194 meals to home-bound clients. Addressing the often critical and emergency needs of isolated, frail elders, the Council and its volunteers offer assistance for help with Medicare forms, understanding changes in state law, fuel assistance, food stamps, supplemental security income forms, elderly housing placement and friendly visits to house-bound elders, often serving as a family would for elderly clients.

The Council has continued to seek alternate sources of funds to augment the annual \$17,652 budget which only funds the 35-hour per week director's budget and utilities for the Senior Center. A Senior Aide program through Elder Services has provided two part-time staff members who perform clerical and outreach work including daily reassurance telephone calls and visits to home-bound elders. A state Title 111 grant has funded a fitness instructor for a tremendously successful weekly exercise class and monthly janitorial work. A grant from the Merrimac Cultural Council provided a well-attended inter-generational, multi-cultural two-part jazz workshop this summer.

Fundraising efforts by the Friends of the Council on Aging and donations replaced the center's heating system and have provided equipment and expense money for the center's programs and activities not covered by the local budget.

During the year more than 230 blood pressure readings were taken at clinics for seniors held at the Senior Center. Monthly clinics by the Home Health Visiting Nurse Association at the Senior Center were introduced this year. Other well-attended health clinics included hearing, vision and podiatry. Flu-shot clinics served 134 elders.

The Council on Aging has continued to provide a site and volunteers for surplus food commodities distribution and for the Self-Help and Resource Exchange (SHARE), a national program that enables anyone regardless of age or income, to exchange volunteer hours for groceries. During 1993, 665

SHARE food packages were distributed in Merrimac.

Relying on volunteer coordinators, weekly recreation and hobby groups at the Senior Center saw new additions including the “Senior Gift Shop”, flag-making, card groups and ladies’ outdoor games to the on-going schedule of activities that include exercise, bingo and bridge groups, quilt-making, hobby groups, outdoor games, line dancing, monthly potluck luncheons and a monthly newsletter published by the Council and mailed to all local elders.

The Council continued to expand its sense of community this year with participation in the town’s Old Home Day summer celebration, Older American’s Day, and Elder Services Walk for Elders. Intergenerational activities include an on-going PenPal Program that links seniors and third-graders at the Helen R. Donaghue School Chorus.

The Merrimac Council on Aging would like to thank all who have supported our efforts, especially our volunteers and the Friends of the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Irene Kimbrell, *Chairman*

**Council on Aging Members and Term Expiration Dates**

Irene Kimbrell, <i>Chairman</i>	1994
Terri Walden, <i>Vice-Chairman</i>	1995
Dorothy Lumdsden, <i>Secretary</i>	1996
James Murphy, <i>Treasurer</i>	1996
Elizabeth Pittman	1994
Mary Cheney	1995
Roy Minihan	1995
Inez Lund	1996
Herb Gynan	1996
Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello	1996

## TREASURER'S REPORT 1993

To the Board of Selectmen and citizens of Merrimac:

Please accept this Treasurer's report for the year ending December 31, 1993. In the interest of making both the report (and the town's financial structure) somewhat more "user friendly", a report format is being used.

Not surprisingly, financial matters topped the Treasurer's agenda in 1993. The ripple effects of delayed FY-92 property tax bills extended into early 1993, with cash flow borrowings taking place from January through June 1993. However, all interim borrowings were paid off on the last day of the fiscal year and no further cash flow borrowings are anticipated during FY-94. This will result in significant interest savings on Town taxpayers and is a sign of Merrimac's improving financial strength.

The impact of early regionalization of the Pentucket School District had an unexpected impact on the Town Treasurer's duties. Although full regionalization of the school system became effective on July 2, 1993, the first year was intended as a transition period. However, state funding decisions accelerated the change and, despite a summer of chaos, all regionalization of financial matters is well underway. Assistant Treasurer Linda L. Walker deserves special recognition in this regard.

As 1993 ended, the Treasurer's Office was preparing documentation for the upcoming school bond issue. At about \$7 million, this bond issue may well be larger than all other Town bond issues combined. Part of the bonding process involves review of the Town's finances and financial management by a national rating agency. The rating that results generally determines the interest rate that will be paid on the bonds.

Previously an "A" rated town, Merrimac was dropped to a Baal in November 1991. Given the financial difficulties of the past three years, a further drop is possible. This office will work long and hard to protect our bond rating because once dropped, upgradings are difficult to accomplish.

Audits for Fiscal Years 91 and 92 were completed during 1993, with the audit for FY-93 extending into 1994. These audits identified many areas requiring improvement. The Treasurer's office has already implemented a number of these suggestions. Hopefully, by the time this letter is written for 1994, all systems will have been improved.

In closing, it is only fair to thank Gerry Wallace, Town department heads and the Finance Committee for their cooperation and support in 1993. Real government takes place at the municipal level and working together has allowed this office to accomplish much with limited resources.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriett L. Stanley  
Treasurer

**ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
MERRIMAC WATER DEPARTMENT  
for the Year Ending December 31, 1993**

The Board of Water Commissioners and Manager for the Merrimac Water Department present their Annual Report for Calendar Year 1993.

It was in January 1993 that a bill presented to the House and Senate to establish a privilege fee was signed into law. This law enables the Water Department to collect fees whenever a connection is made to the town's water system. All fees collected are kept in a fund separate from other monies of the town. The fund is then appropriated for the purpose of improving the town's water system. During 1993, the Department collected a total of \$15,200.

In 1993, there were 23 connections added to the town's water system. The Water Department has a total of 1,461 water connections being supplied by the town.

Due to increased collection efforts over previous years, collections were up and water liens were reduced significantly. In 1992 there were 66 water liens totaling \$13,173.36, compared to 1993, which had 11 water liens totalling \$986.91.

The Water Department has been involved in 1993 with various projects and studies to ensure the quality and quantity of our water supply. A committee was formed and met throughout the year to formulate a Groundwater Protection Bylaw to protect our water supply and watershed areas. The Committee is hopeful that work on the Bylaw will be complete in order to seek voter approval of a Cross-Connection Control Program at the 1994 Town Meeting. This plan is a requirement of the EPA and DEP and has been developed to effectively prevent the contamination or pollution of the town's water supply. Additionally, after completion of State and Federally required Lead and Copper testing in early 1993, the Water Department submitted a corrosion study to the State requesting the addition of an orthophosphate to the water system to reduce lead and copper levels. The Department is awaiting State approval before implementing this plan.

During the year, the Water Department continued with the ongoing project of well cleaning at our wellfields in order to maintain quality and capacity. Additional wells were installed at our East Main Street wellfield to add to our capacity.

The Manager and Commissioners of the Water Department wish to express their sincere appreciation to the employees of the Department who have worked diligently to operate, maintain and improve the water system for the Town of Merrimac. We also wish to thank the Conservation Commission for the time and energy they gave working with the Water Department to implement a Groundwater Protection Bylaw.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Soucy, Manager  
for the Board of Water Commissioners

# MERRIMAC WATER DEPARTMENT

## INCOME STATEMENT JUNE 30, 1993

### Revenue

Residential, Comm, Municipal Rates	421,887.95
Water Sprinkler	200.00
Water Miscellaneous	15,954.62
Fiscal Year Liens	16,187.67
Total Revenue Collected	<u>454,230.24</u>

### Expenses

Manager's Salary	13,092.34
Office Salary	7,224.48
Water Dept. Wages	79,045.24
Office Supplies	26,679.17
Fuel Heat	6,504.15
Purchased Power	42,088.95
Stock	30,846.18
Transportation	2,828.35
Engineering	1,654.50
Real Estate Taxes (NH)	2,135.00
Water Testing	8,055.56
Chemicals	27,953.83
Misc Expenses	630.00
Roadway and Excavation	817.76
Commissioner Salary	799.98
Total Direct Expenses	<u>250,355.49</u>

### Water Bond Expenses

Filter Plant Bonds	244,905.00
Standpipe Bond	<u>11,425.00</u>
Total Water Bond Expense	<u>256,330.00</u>

### Water Dept. Share Ins., Workers Comp., FICA

Total Water Department Expenses	<u>516,685.49</u>
Gross Profit (Loss)	<u>62,455.25</u>

### Special Appropriations

Green Sand Filter System	4,321.54
Old Well Development	9,349.00
E. Main St. Well	20,000.00
Sargent Well Redevelopment	9,575.50
E. Main Pumps & Controls	6,251.70

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Soucy  
Manager

**ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
MERRIMAC LIGHT DEPARTMENT  
for the year ending December 31, 1993**

The following is the Annual Report of the Town of Merrimac Light Department for the year ending December 31, 1993.

During 1993, the Merrimac Light Department (MLD) continued to provide electric service to its customers at among the lowest rates in the State, with 1993's average annual cost at \$43.75 for 500 kwh per month for residential use.

1993 was a challenging yet positive year for the department. Our conservation efforts continued. 71 customers took advantage of the no cost to customer energy audits offered by the Merrimac Light Dept. through Mass Save, Inc. We also continue to address our strategic plan, investing in infrastructure upgrades that will enable us to consistently provide energy and service - reliably, safely and affordably.

This year there were 48 new electric services added, bringing the total number of electric meters to 2,234.

Throughout the year we have maintained our long-standing commitment to helping the Town of Merrimac in any way we can. In addition to the assistance we have provided to the various departments throughout the year, we made an in lieu of tax payment of \$5,000.00, reduced the amount owed by the town for lighting of town building by \$4,436.23 and provided streetlighting with energy charges totalling \$11,088.10, plus the cost of streetlighting repair to the town at no cost to the town.

We introduced our first newsletter in an effort to better inform our customers of activities within the department. The feedback received in response to the newsletter was very positive.

Despite their beauty, trees pose the biggest threats to safe, reliable electric service. A tree which merely brushes a power line can effect a temporary interruption in service. High winds or heavy snow can bring limbs down on lines causing outages. Trees touching lines also cause line loss which creates unaccounted for energy losses which are costly to the Department. To reduce interruptions and line loss caused by trees, we continue a yearly tree-trimming program.

The manager and Commissioners of the Merrimac Light Department would like to extend our sincere gratitude to all the employees of the Light Department, who have worked hard to provide excellent service to our customers throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Soucy, Manager  
for the Board of Light Commissioners

# MERRIMAC ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

## STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE YEAR 1993

	Current Year	Increase or (Decrease) from Preceding Year
<b>OPERATING INCOME</b>		
400 Operating Revenue.....	1,991,199.15	2,467.91
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
401 Operation Expense .....	1,674,882.30	66,576.18
402 Maintenance Expense.....	56,531.39	(15,319.34)
403 Depreciation Expense.....	119,640.84	6,452.90
Total Operating Expense.....	1,851,054.53	57,709.74
Operating Income .....	140,144.62	(55,241.83)
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>		
415 Income from Merchandising, Jobbing and Contract Work .....		
419 Interest Income.....	6,194.42	1,703.76
421 Miscellaneous Nonoperating Income.....		
Total Income .....	146,339.04	(53,538.07)
<b>INTEREST CHARGES</b>		
427 Interest on Bonds and Notes.....	1,516.01	(4,229.92)
431 Other Interest Expense .....		
Total Interest Charges .....	1,516.01	(4,229.92)
NET INCOME.....	144,823.03	(49,308.15)
<b>EARNED SURPLUS</b>		
	Debits	Credits
208 Unappropriated Earned Surplus (at beginning of period).....		1,128,828.90
433 Balance Transferred from Income .....		144,823.03
434 Miscellaneous Credits to Surplus .....		
435 Miscellaneous Debits to Surplus .....	125,000.00	
436 Appropriations of Surplus .....	3,821.45	
437 Surplus Applied to Depreciation .....		
208 Unappropriated Earned Surplus (at end of period).....	1,144,830.48	
TOTALS	1,273,651.93	1,273,651.93

**MERRIMAC ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT**  
**COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET 1993**

	ASSETS	Balance Beginning of Year	Balance End of Year	Increase or (Decrease)
<b>UTILITY PLANT</b>				
101	Utility Plant - Electric.....	1,350,809.34	1,299,189.29	(51,620.05)
<b>FUND ACCOUNTS</b>				
125	Sinking Funds.....	719.17	719.17	
126	Depreciation Fund .....	169,906.55	236,705.04	66,798.49
	Total Funds.....	170,625.72	237,424.21	66,798.49
<b>CURRENT AND ACCRUED ASSETS</b>				
131	Cash .....	120,043.91	213,390.59	93,346.68
132	Special Deposits .....	13,352.38	16,175.85	2,823.47
132	Working Funds.....	60.00	60.00	
142	Customer Accounts Receivable.....	84,219.56	100,053.84	15,834.28
143	Other Accounts Receivable .....			
146	Receivables from Municipality .....	14,309.96	8,735.83	(5,574.13)
151	Materials and Supplies .....	15,001.94	15,001.94	
165	Prepayments .....	8,172.00	8,209.00	37.00
<b>DEFERRED DEBITS</b>				
183	Miscellaneous Current Assets .....	6,857.89	7,204.16	346.27
	Total Assets and Other Debits .....	<u>1,783,452.70</u>	<u>1,905,444.71</u>	<u>121,992.01</u>

**LIABILITIES**

	SURPLUS		
206	Loans Repayment.....	337,700.00	462,700.00
207	Appropriations for Construction		
	Repayments .....	8,889.05	8,889.05
208	Unappropriated Earned Surplus .....	1,128,828.90	1,144,830.48
<b>LONG TERM DEBIT</b>			
221	Bond .....		
231	Notes Payable .....	39,134.09	(39,134.09)
<b>CURRENT AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES</b>			
232	Accounts Payable .....	241,436.69	252,391.47
235	Customer' Deposits .....	13,352.38	16,175.85
242	Misc Current & Accrued Liabilities .....	6,857.89	7,204.16
<b>DEFERRED CREDITS</b>			
252	Customer Advances for Construction.....	1,220.67	1,220.67
<b>RESERVES</b>			

260	Reserves for Uncollectible Accounts .....	1,299.24	7,299.24	6,000.00
<b>CONTRIBUTIONS IN AID OF CONSTRUCTION</b>				
271	Contributions in Aid of Construction.....	4,733.79	4,733.79	
	Total Liabilities and Other Credits.....	1,783,452.70	1,905,444.71	121,992.01

# THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Pursuant to Massachusetts law, the Town of Merrimac has adopted a zoning by-law which regulates the use of land and the size, location, and use of buildings. The underlying purpose of the by-law is to promote the health, safety, and public welfare of the inhabitants of the Town. The Board of Appeals is empowered to hear and decide appeals in connection with Massachusetts General Laws chapter 40 A Section 8, it may hear and decide applications for special permits which may be allowed under the by-law, it may hear and decide petitions for variances, and it may hear and decide appeals from decisions of its zoning administrator.

The Board of Appeals met and conducted public hearings on a variety of petitions in 1993.

## **Administrative Appeals Under M.G.L. Ch. 40A, Sect. 8**

The Board considered an appeal of the building inspectors decision to issue a cease and desist order against John and Donna Spert, for property located on Heath Road. The Spert's were alleged to have commenced excavating a portion of their property without having obtained the requisite earth removal permits under the by-law. At a hearing, the Board upheld the decision of the building inspector and allowed the cease and desist order to remain in effect. An appeal of the Board's decision is pending in Essex County Superior Court.

The Board also considered an administrative appeal upon the petition of Keith and Wendy Gage, whose petition to enforce the by-laws against Phillip Bowler, d/b/a Bowler and Jones was denied. The Gages and other abutters alleged that Bowler and Jones was improperly conducting a commercial flower business from premises located at West Main Street. The building inspector determined that the use of the premises as a flower shop was a permitted accessory use as a home occupation, and the Board upheld the decision of the building inspector.

## **Applications for Special Permits**

The Board considered several applications for special permits. John and Donna Spert sought a special permit seeking to remove gravel and regrade portions of their property on Heath Road. The Spert's withdrew their request without prejudice, prior to the Board rendering it's decision. This same case came before the Board later in the year as an appeal of the building inspector's issuance of a cease and desist order, as referred in the prior section.

Lawrence and Janice Cuddy filed a petition with the Board seeking a special permit for breeding, boarding, and training horses on their property at Birch Meadow Road. After a lengthy hearing, the petitioners withdrew their request for a special permit without prejudice.

Richard Eastman, d/b/a Advanced Laundry Services, sought the Board's approval to operate a laundry establishment at his property located at Federal Way. The Board granted his request for a special permit by incorporating the terms established by special permits granted previously in 1987 and 1989, and

imposed new conditions regulating the operation of the business.

### **Variances**

The Board held hearings on five requests for variances. Edgar and Therese Sargent withdrew their request for a frontage variance without prejudice prior to the Board's decision. Their property is located on Bear Hill Road.

John and Mary Weingartner were granted a variance for a rear setback that was insufficient under the terms of the by-law. The Weingartner's property is located on River Road.

Allan J. and Jennifer M. Fiore were granted a three foot sideline variance for their property at Birchmeadow Road. The Board determined that all of the criteria warranting the grant of a variance had been satisfied.

Janet and Richard Sawyer's petition for relief from the terms of the by-law was denied. The Sawyer's sought a sideline setback variance for a proposed addition to their property located at Heathbrook Road.

Stephen Gadd's petition for a sideline variance was granted, with the agreement that a portion of his deck which encroached onto the town-owned land would be removed. The Gadd's property is located at River Road.

### **Other Matters**

The Board is currently involved in an appeal of a 1992 decision of the Building Inspector, and the matter is pending before Essex County Probate Court. The petitioner, Andrea Byra, sought a building permit for one of two lots she owned on Sunset Terrace. The Board voted to uphold the decision of the building inspector denying the issuance of a building permit. The Board determined that all lots held in common must be utilized to lessen any nonconformity under the current by-law.

The Board wishes to thank Susan Clark for her many hours of professional service to the Board as its secretary. Gordon Broz stepped down as chairman of the Board after several years, and Philip Parry was elected chairman. Gordon continues to sit on the board as a regular member, and his contributions are greatly appreciated. We thank the personnel in the Assessors Office and Town Clerk Pat True for their cooperation and patience. The Board wishes to thank Bob Sinibaldi for his diligent efforts as Building Inspector. Many thanks go out to the members of the Board of Selectmen and Ashod Amirian, town counsel, for their support and assistance. I'd also like to thank the members of the Board for their dedication, perseverance and commitment to the zoning matters of the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip A. Parry  
Chairman

## **BOARD OF APPEALS MEMBERS**

Gordon Broz	Term Expires 1996
Janet Bruno	Term Expires 1994
Ellen Evans	Term Expires 1995
Nancy MacGregor	Term Expires 1996
Philip Parry	Term Expires 1994
Alternate: Patrick Mellican	

## MERRIMAC HOUSING AUTHORITY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,

The Merrimac Housing Authority served the town during 1993 with 3 separate housing programs. Each program assists a different population in need of decent safe and sanitary housing. Currently, we serve elderly, handicapped and low income families through both public housing developments, and leased housing programs. We were fortunate enough to be able to increase our staffing this past year. In July, 1993 a tenant selection coordinator was hired, to primarily handle the housing application and lease up process. With the addition of this position we now have the capacity to process housing applications faster, which in turn allows us to fill vacant units with greater speed. This not only helps the financial operation of the authority, but also allows us to house more needy individuals in an expedient manner.

While 1993 was a lean year for most Housing Authorities in the state, the Merrimac Housing Authority is proud to announce that it received a **\$30,000.00 funding grant** from the Executive Office of Communities & Development. The MHA was 1 of only 20 such authorities that received such emergency funding. The monetary award is being used to completely update the Fire Alarm and Smoke Detection system at the Merri Village elderly complex. Funds from this grant will also be used to improve upon some of the walkways and parking facilities at the development. Plans include adding 5 additional parking spaces to the site.

The Housing Authority would like to take this opportunity to again publicize its need for elderly housing applicants. During this past year we have been in the unusual position of having to continually search for qualified applicants to fill our vacancies at Merri Village (senior citizens). Merrimac residents, if qualified, do receive preference when applying for housing. Also, as part of a measure to increase our applicant base, all residents should be aware that we have raised the Asset Limit requirement, to hopefully encourage more people to apply. The Asset limits are now set at:

**1 person - \$25,000**

**2 or more persons - \$30,000 or 1.5 times your net income, whichever is greater. You may now have up to these amounts in assets, and still qualify for housing. We encourage anyone who is 62 years of age or older, or handicapped, to apply for Merri Village. Please check with our office for other qualifying requirements.**

In closing, we would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Assessors, the Town Clerk, and the Fire and Police Departments in the Town of Merrimac for their assistance. Special thanks go out to the DPW for their assistance in snowplowing our elderly housing roadway during the difficult winter of 1993. Everyone's support and cooperation throughout the year has greatly contributed to our operation.

Very Truly Yours,

Frank M. Petras  
Executive Director

## Board of Commissioners

Barbara J. Arbour, *Chairman*  
41 School Street

Term Expires May 1995

Dorothy Olson, *Vice Chairman*  
57 W. Main Street

Term Expires May 1996

Richard W. Emery, *Treasurer*  
67 Church Street

Term Expires May 1997

Steven True, *Vice-Treasurer*  
Box 22

Term Expires May 1998

Gerri Shepherd, *Member-Governors Appointee*  
26 River Road

Term Expires June 1998

## Housing Authority Personnel

Mr. Frank M. Petras  
Certified PHM  
employed: 8/17/92

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (part- time)

Ms. Barbara Donahue  
Certified PHM  
employed: 11/14/83

LEASED HOUSING SPECIALIST (part- time)

Ms. Mary Moughan  
Certified PHM  
employed: 6/1/70

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (part- time)

Ms. Brenda Perry  
employed: 7/17/93

TENANT SELECTION COORDINATOR (part- time)

Mr. Robert Samoisette  
employed: 11/1/91

## Maintenance Department

MAINTENANCE MECHANIC (part- time)

FAMILY HOUSING  
705-1 Family Housing  
Opened: 1983

LOCATION

NUMBER of UNITS

4 units

3-3 bedrooms

1-2 bedroom

ELDERLY HOUSING  
667-1 Merri Village  
Opened: 1972

LOCATION

NUMBER of UNITS

\*all 1 bedroom units

48

## **LEASED HOUSING DEPARTMENT**

The Merrimac Housing Authority operates a leased housing program. As with all leased housing programs, the authority does not physically maintain these units, but does provide rent subsidy to low income individuals and families who live in privately owned homes and buildings located throughout the town.

### **1.) SECTION 8 RENTAL SUBSIDY PROGRAMS (inception Aug. 1978)**

These programs are federally funded by the Department of Housing & Urban Development.

Section 8 Certificates: 19, all mobile with the following breakdown of bedroom sizes:

5- one bedroom                    10- two bedrooms                    4- three bedrooms

### **QUALIFICATION & INCOME LIMITS FOR ALL FEDERAL HOUSING PROGRAMS (effective 12/23/92)**

\*All Income qualification figures for Federal Programs are based on gross amounts:

Number in Person's Household	Maximum Allowable Income
1	\$16,950
2	\$19,350
3	\$21,800
4	\$24,200
5	\$26,150
6	\$28,050
7	\$30,000
8	\$31,950

### **QUALIFICATION & INCOME FOR ALL STATE HOUSING PROGRAMS (effective 7/16/92)**

Number in Person's Household	Maximum Allowable Income
1	\$21,140
2	\$24,160
3	\$27,180
4	\$30,200
5	\$32,088
6	\$33,975
7	\$35,863
8	\$37,750

To qualify for state low income housing in Merrimac, you must also have assets no more than \$25,000 for one person or \$30,00 for two or more people, or 1.5 times your net income, whichever is greater.

### **RENT PERCENTAGES & UTILITIES**

Residents in each housing development pay rent according to a specified percentage of their income:

705-1 Lincoln & Green Streets

All units are gas heated- Residents pay 25% of their income for rent, utilities are

not included.

#### 667-C1 Elderly Housing

48 units, of which all are electrically heated - Residents pay 30% of their income for rent, utilities are included.

### MANAGEMENT SUMMARY

In all, the Merrimac Housing Authority is involved with managing 3 separate housing programs, which accounts for 71 units of low income housing. In addition, the Merrimac Authority Staff, also administer 8 separate housing programs and a total of 354 units of public housing, for the town of Amesbury.

The Merrimac Housing Authority Regular Board Meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 52 Merri Village at 6:30 pm. The Annual Meeting is held the 3rd Weds. of June.

## OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board organized in May 1993:

Mark Zagranis, <i>Chairman</i>	Term Expires 1996
Gail Riley	Term Expires 1995
Nancy Gauvin, <i>Secretary</i>	Term Expires 1994
Eileen Stepanian, <i>Town Nurse</i>	

Blood pressure clinics continue bi-weekly, Mondays at Merri Village and Tuesdays at the Senior Center.

200 home visits were conducted by Eileen last year as she continues to pass on information and do referrals.

Flu shots were administered in October with great success with 275 doses given.

Bonnie Buckley continues to handle problems with animals and oversees the quarantine of pets who have come in contact with animals who either have or are suspected of having rabies.

Arthur Hoyt has overseen the installation of septic systems and well installations and continues to do some home inspections when requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Zagranis  
Chairman of the Board of Health

## 1993 ANNUAL REPORT CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Conservation Commission is a board appointed by the Selectmen in the Town responsible for administering Massachusetts General Law 131, Section 40, known as the Wetlands Protection Act. Locally, our all-volunteer commission has always served without pay. The board receives technical support from the staff of career administrators at the state level. Having no local laws of our own, we enforce the state regulations and rely on the state for assistance with interpretation of the laws and their application. When a particular situation that the commission rules on is questioned by abutters or a group of interested citizens, it is the Massachusetts Division of Environmental Protection that will hear appeals and act thereon.

The Conservation Commission is charged by state law and regulation with the protection of the wetland resources of the Town. These resources include the Merrimack River, Cobbler's Brook, Lake Attitash, as well as various other streams, wetlands and ponds in the Town. The protection of the wetlands is vital to the future of the town water supply and wellfields, as well as insuring a sanctuary for wildlife and wetland vegetation.

Over the past year, the Commission has been involved in the review of numerous construction plans and specifications for new house and other construction adjacent to the wetland resources of the Town. Working with several developers and homeowners have led to successful and satisfactory completion of projects which have protected and enhanced the environment and the quality of life in the Town. The Commission has also, however, been required to serve enforcement orders on several occasions to developers and contractors who have, by inaction or other reasons, caused damage to the wetland resources in the Town. In these instances, the Commission has ordered construction to be halted, until proper measures are taken to protect these resources of the Town. When this occurs, the delays in construction are a reminder to those who violate the state laws and regulations regarding the protection of the environment.

The Commission has also embarked, along with other Town Boards and Committees, in the preparation of a Local Bylaw for Groundwater Protection in the Town. This Bylaw, when adopted, will provide for the protection of the groundwater resources vital to the Town and its citizens. Providing for the long term protection of the drinking water supply in the Town is the goal of this bylaw.

With the cutting of all state department budgets and the resulting cutbacks of personnel, access to professional help in deciding matters of wetland disturbance and development has been slowed to a point of anguish for people seeking confirmation or relief under the laws. There is also the problem of unfinished projects that accumulate during adverse economic times which will require extension and possibly new orders of conditions depending on the ravages of nature in the meantime. The Commission has strived to aid those

who are willing to work within the requirements of the Laws.

Other than to pay for the services of a recording secretary and dues for various organizations, the Conservation Commission does not presently require large amounts of funding. However, that will change. With the process now in hand for the protection of water supply and town aquifer, there will be a need for demarcation and protection of wetlands. In the future, the town will need to undertake a new master plan and alter zoning, requiring a comprehensive mapping of wetlands throughout the town. Spending for such a project will require a commitment of capital funds far beyond anything undertaken by any town conservation Commission.

Meanwhile, the Commission is dependent upon public cooperation for what protection is able to be given to our wetlands. Personal judgment is what counts most here. The personal time of Commission members is what we rely upon to establish wetlands in need of protection.

Members of the 1993 Conservation Commission:

Louis Nucci, *Chairman*

Bruce Evans

Paul Geoghegan

Allan Pollock

Robert Prokop

Robert Topitzer

Arthur Yarranton

## PLANNING BOARD ANNUAL REPORT 1993

During the past year the Merrimac Planing Board has held 16 meetings, plus 3 work shop meetings to discuss and iron out problems on various subdivisions.

We accepted, with regret, the resignation of Joseph Bamford and welcomed back on board Joseph Carter. We also welcomed Arthur O'Keefe as a new Board Member.

Reviewed and reprinted the Zoning By-Laws.

Held one hearing to prohibit the removal of earth from Agricultural-Residential areas. Passed at Annual Town Meeting.

Held a hearing on Farrington Fields subdivision and accepted Definitive Plan.

Approved and signed five Form A's in various areas of the town.

Approved three dock permits.

Accepted completion of Orchard Acres Subdivision.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur Evans, *Chairman* 1995

Richard Gosselin 1996

Earl Baumgardner - Resigned Aug. 1993

Joseph Carter 1998

Arthur O'Keefe 1994

## **MERRIMAC ARTS COUNCIL**

The Merrimac Arts Council is a volunteer organization whose purpose is to act as a local review panel for citizens who wish to apply to the Massachusetts Cultural Council for arts/humanities grants which are funded by State lottery.

The Massachusetts Cultural Council (MCC), whose budget is recommended by the Governor and finalized by the legislature, distributes a portion of its money annually to all State municipalities with a local cultural council in place based on a formula that includes population and equalized property value. The state funds are distributed solely to promote excellence, access, education and diversity in the arts, humanities and sciences.

Local applications for the sponsoring of appropriate projects are submitted to the Merrimac Arts Council for an initial review and are then forwarded to the MCC for final review and approval.

In fiscal year 1993, the Arts council funded either totally, or in part, 8 projects for the benefit of Merrimac residents, distributing \$2,000 (the town's annual grant award). The projects included a two-part workshop on jazz history; the production of a logo banner for the historical Museum; public library passes to the Boston Museum of Science; a performance by a UNH theatre group; a visit by the New England Aquarium tidepool program at the Sweetsir School; field trips for Merrimac elementary and Pentucket Middle school students to the North Shore Music Theatre production of the Christmas Carol and a field trip for Pentucket Senior students to the North Atlantic Ballet Company production of Romeo and Juliet.

### **Merrimac Arts Council Members - 1993**

Nick Fiorello	Second three-year term expires 1996
Ann Tucker	Second three-year term expires 1996
Nancy Hocking McDonough	Second three-year term expires 1996
Colleen Ranshaw-Fiorello	Second three-year term expires 1996
Kathy Meuse	First three-year term expires 1996
Dorothy Patten	First three-year term expires 1996
Judy Flynn	First three-year term expires 1996
NanNette Becker	First three-year term expires 1996
Laura Linard	First three-year term expires 1996
Hanna Trautmann	First three-year term expires 1996

# OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

The following is the report of the Board of Sewer Commissioners for the calendar year 1993:

The Merrimac Wastewater Treatment Facility is an extended aeration of oxidation ditch process designed to treat 450,000 gallons of raw sewage and 1,000 gallons of septage per day.

In 1993, 91,852,000 gallons of raw sewage and 145,000 gallons of septage were treated. The average daily flow treated was 251,650 gallons of raw sewage and 400 gallons of septage. The facility ended 1993 operating at 56% of capacity. The EPA permit requires a minimum treatment efficiency of 85%; the average monthly treatment efficiency was 94.04%

The waste treatment process generated 487 cubic yards of wet sludge that were recycled for agricultural reuse as approved by the Mass. DEP. The Land Application Certificate was renewed by the DEP until November 1995.

## Revenue FY 93

Invoiced user fees	241,641.90	(18,428.93 uncollected user fees)
<b>Collected:</b>		
User fees	223,212.97	
Liens	13,542.87	
Septage	3,810.00	
<b>Total Collected</b>	<b>240,565.84</b>	
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
O&M	223,365.00	
Interest Belt 1&2	11,187.50	
<b>Total Expended</b>	<b>234,552.50</b>	
<b>Development Fund:</b>		
Balance end of FY92	77,455.44	
Collected FY93	42,540.73	
<b>Total</b>	<b>119,996.17</b>	
<b>Expendited</b>		
Principal Belt 1&2	35,000.00	
Balance end of FY93	84,996.17	

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Cryan, *Chairman*  
Board of Sewer Commissioners

## Board of Sewer Commissioners

John M. Cryan 102 River Road 346-8260 Term Expires: 1996	William Raper, Jr. 5 Lincoln Street 346-9209 Term Expires: 1994	Arthur D. Evans 14 Nichols Street 346-8428 Term Expires: 1995
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**REPORT OF THE PENTUCKET REGIONAL  
SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE**

**For the 1992-1993 Year  
Ending June 30, 1993**

In accordance with Chapter 71, Section 16K, the Pentucket Regional School District Committee submits its 38th annual report to each of the member towns.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Grazio, *Chairman*  
Leslie Lipkind, *Vice Chairman*  
Michael Bryant, *Secretary*  
John Mortenson  
George Mavroides  
Paul Tucker  
Mary O'Sullivan  
Edward Hardy III  
Paul Raiche

## **SCHOOL OFFICERS**

**HENRY S DEMBOWSKI**, Superintendent of Schools  
Office: 22 Main Street, West Newbury  
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**PETER McGINN**, Assistant Superintendent (Began 1/92)  
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**PAUL P. SZYMANSKI**, Business Manager  
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**ELIZABETH A. GEORGE**, Treasurer  
Office: 22 Main Street, West Newbury  
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**MICHAEL J. McLAUGHLIN, JR.**, Principal, High School  
Office: Pentucket Regional High School, West Newbury  
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**H. STEVEN WELFORD**, Principal, Junior High School  
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**RICHARD C. MINDESS, M.D.**, School Physician  
Address: 21 Highland Avenue, Newburyport

**KATHLEEN BARTHOLOMEW**, High School Nurse  
Office: Pentucket Regional High School, West Newbury

**JANICE SEARS**, Junior High School Nurse  
Office: Pentucket Regional Middle School, West Newbury

Working Certificates Issued By:  
Guidance Department, Pentucket Regional High School

## PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL REPORT FISCAL YEAR 1993

As the Class of 1993 leaves Pentucket for college, work and the military, they can be proud of their many accomplishments. This graduating class is not alone in facing new horizons and new challenges. As this fiscal year closes, it is a time of great change for all of us.

The face of the Pentucket Regional School District changes dramatically with full regionalization and the passage of the Education Reform Act. The anticipated additional revenues will be most welcomed and used to the advantage of both the student and the taxpayer. As the Educational Reform Act is refined and defined, the role of the School Committee changes, as do the responsibilities of the Building Principals and the Superintendent. The coming year will be interesting and challenging. There is a great deal to learn and even more work to be done.

The Pentucket Regional School District will need to rely heavily on the leadership, knowledge and energy of Superintendent Henry Dembowski. Superintendent Dembowski continues to lead us forward into new dimensions. We thank him for his vision and tireless determination to make Pentucket an exemplary school district.

With the appropriated budget of \$6,419,899, we continue to expand the opportunities for our students. The student breakdown for the Middle School and High School this year is 356 Groveland students; 257 West Newbury students and 359 Merrimac students. We received additional funding from the state consisting of \$214,570 in payment for 45 choice students.

This is the last annual report of the Pentucket Regional School District representing Grades 9 through 12 only. We look forward with anticipation and hope for progressive movement and a smooth and successful transition from four school districts to one united K-12 school district.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Grazio, *Chairman*  
Leslie Lipkind, *Vice Chairman*  
Michael Bryant, *Secretary*  
John Mortenson  
George Mavroides  
Paul Tucker  
Mary O'Sullivan  
Edward Hardy III  
Paul Raiche

**PENTUCKET REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL  
1993 MERRIMAC GRADUATES**

Rebecca Edith Armstrong	Brian John Healy
Robert M. Burbank	Aaron J. Hovde
Amanda Marie Cebula	Nathan W. Hoyt
Rene Monique Chapman	Lynne A. Lawler
Megan Grant Coburn	Paul Lazzaro
Amanda Lynn Colcord	Michele S. Martin
Sharon Theresa Comeau	Brian T. McCarthy
Barbara Elizabeth Corkum	Kerrie P. McLaughlin
Sarah L. Curtis	Heather Dalton Mitchell
Laura M. Davis	Brian O'Keefe
Benjamin M. Denault	Erin Cathleen O'Leary
Lionel Mahendia DeSilva	Amy Lynn Perkins
Angela Tara Firenze	Jesse D. Peterson
Michael S. Flynn	Kimberly Marie Queene
Shannon L. Flynn	Amy Lynn Reed
Robin Louise Gadsby	Robert M. Ricci, Jr.
Michael Paul Gariepy	Sean Michael Roaf
Rachel M. Goldthwaite	Elizabeth Megan Rutherford
Sarah Elizabeth Goss	Cheryl L. Smart
Jennifer Marie Greenberg	Jennifer Dawn Stark
David R. Gudjonsson, Jr.	Brenda J. Stewart
Eric W. Haggstrom	Carolina White
Eric Wayne Hardy	Colleen Beth White
	David F. Zacharis
Exchange Student: Cristina Olivas Lopez DeSoria	

# PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 1992-1993 SCHOOL CALENDAR

## 1992

September	8	First Teacher Day
	9	Schools Open (1-12)
		a. Staggered Start K*
		b. Staggered Start Middle School
October	12	Columbus Day
	7	District -Wide Staff Development Day
November	11	Veteran's Day
	18	Conference Day-Secondary
	19	Conference Day-Elementary
	25	Schools Close at Noon for Thanksgiving
December	23	Schools Dismiss at End of Day for Christmas Vacation

## 1993

January	4	Schools Reopen
	18	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Observed
	28	District -Wide Staff Development Day
February	1	Kindergarten Changeover Merrimac & Groveland only
	12	School Dismiss at End of Day for February Vacation
	22	Schools Reopen
March	30	District -Wide Staff Development Day
April	9	Good Friday
	16	Schools Dismiss at End of Day for April Vacation
	26	Schools Reopen
May	31	Memorial Day Observed
June	6	Rain Date-Graduation
	22	Last Day of School With No Snow Days
	29	Last Day of School With 5 Snow Days

\* NO Kindergarten Transportation First Day

Marking Periods End: November 13, January 29, April 8, and June 21

NOTE: Three inservice half-days are shown above. Each school may schedule other inservice days, independent of the district-wide days.

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**PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BALANCE SHEET - CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND  
SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT  
JUNE 30, 1993**

**ASSETS**

Cash	\$ 249,674.70
Total Assets	<u>\$ 249,674.70</u>

**LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance:	
Reserved for Pentucket Building Project	\$ 249,674.70
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	<u>\$ 249,674.70</u>

**PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**BALANCE SHEET - GENERAL FUND**

**JUNE 30, 1993**

**ASSETS**

Cash	\$ 96,073.53
Total Assets	<u>\$ 96,073.53</u>

**LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance:	
Undesignated	\$ 96,073.53
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	<u>\$ 96,073.53</u>

**PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BALANCE SHEET - SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS  
JUNE 30, 1993**

**ASSETS**

Cash	\$154,622.20
Total Assets	<u>\$154,622.20</u>

**LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY**

Fund Balance:	
School Lunch Fund	\$ 49,593.55
Athletic Fund	9,905.58
Industrial Arts Fund	1,034.36
Lost Book Fund	718.07
Pre-School	625.00
Adult Education	315.00
Chapter I	5,049.00
Use of Facilities	880.00
School Choice	95,192.41
PL 874	2,731.05
Project Child Serve	(9,951.00)
Chapter II	2,914.28
Strengthening Pre-Referral	(4,385.10)
Early Childhood	-0-
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	<u>\$154,622.20</u>

**PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
1994 BUDGET  
SUMMARY**

	<b>Appropriated 1993</b>
Administration	\$ 236,229
Fixed Charges	379,559
Regular Education	4,043,580
Special Education	738,089
Transportation	393,534
Maintenance & Operation	<u>628,908</u>
	<b>\$6,419,899</b>

## COST DISTRIBUTION

### Student Enrollments by Towns and Percentages of Enrollment:

	Oct. 1, 1992	1992	1993	1994
		%	%	%
Groveland	356	37.7870	36.5979	36.4381
Merrimac	360	34.8643	34.4329	36.8475
W. Newbury	261	27.3486	28.9690	26.7144

Budget Requests for 1994 .....	\$6,419,899
Less: All Categories.....	3,077,923
Total to be Raised.....	\$3,341,976

### Assessments to Towns, Based on Agreement:

	1992	1993	1994
Groveland's Share	\$1,308,209	\$1,226,287	\$ 433,234
Merrimac's Share	1,207,022	1,153,746	231,224
West Newbury's Share	946,825	970667	604,878
	<hr/> <u>\$3,462,056</u>	<hr/> <u>\$3,350,700</u>	<hr/> <u>\$1,269,336</u>

### PENTUCKET BUILDING PROJECT DEBT SERVICE FOR FY'94 \$256,173

	October '92 Enrollment	Assessment
Groveland	356	\$ 93,754
Merrimac	360	88,208
West Newbury	261	74,211
		<hr/> <u>\$1,470,782</u>

### PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT RECONCILIATION OF CASH YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1993

Cash Balance July 1, 1992	\$ 623,614.56
Add: Total Receipts	6,626,982.50
Subtract: Total Expenditures	(6,750,226.58)
Cash Balance June 30, 1993	\$ 500,370.43

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1993**

Cash Balance July 1, 1992	\$ 623,614.56
Bank Deposits:	
Eastern Bank	\$ 84,732.65
Eastern Bank	100,164.30
Eastern Bank	529,108.57
Eastern Bank	174,548.00
Bay Bank	127,487.45
Quincy Savings Bank	88,126.89
Deposit in Transit	4,536.60
Deduct Outstanding Checks to be Cashed	(608,334.03)
Total Cash June 30, 1993	<hr/> \$ 500,370.43

**PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT**  
**YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1993**

**RECEIPTS**

**Assessments to Towns:**

Groveland	\$1,226,286.96
Merrimac	1,153,746.35
West Newbury	<u>970,666.92</u>
	<u><u>\$3,350,700.23</u></u>

**State Reimbursements:**

Reg. Sch. Aid, Ch. 71S	1,123,596.00
Regular Sch. Aid, Ch. 70	830,357.00
Transpor. Assist., Ch. 71	237,955.00
Tuition State Wards, Ch. 76	-0-
Sch. Construction, Ch. 645	<u>-0-</u>
	<u><u>2,191,908.00</u></u>

**Federal Grants:**

Chapter I	52,003.00
Chapter II	7,412.00
Project Child Serve	43,249.00
Project Parallel	4,350.00
Early Childhood	22,750.00
Drug Free Schools	9,995.00
Math and Science Connection	2,300.00
D.D. Eisenhower	2,249.00
Strengthening Pre-referral	9,000.00
E.E.O.G.	35,820.00
Per Pupil Education	<u>97,300.00</u>
	<u><u>286,428.00</u></u>

**School Lunch Programs:**

State & Fed. Reimbursements	26,940.96
Sales	175,620.03
Other Receipts	14,391.92
Interest	<u>1,245.38</u>
	<u><u>218,198.29</u></u>

**Athletic Revolving Account:**

Games Receipts	7,126.00
User Fees	26,745.00
Miscellaneous Receipts	9,678.01
Support of Athletics Receipts	<u>500.00</u>
	<u><u>44,049.01</u></u>

Lost Book Revolving	2,337.58
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Industrial Arts Rev. Acct.	697.00
Pentucket Pre-School Revolving	37,807.50
Use of Facilities	880.00
Adult Education Summer School	1,340.00
Pentucket Build. Project Receipts	350.00
Pentucket Building Project:	
Groveland	93,753.70
Merrimac	88,207.60
West Newbury	<u>74,211.20</u>
	256,172.50
Miscellaneous Receipts:	
Misc. Receipts	10,240.24
Interest Income	35,358.79
Refunds	2,974.31
Choice	<u>187,541.00</u>
	236,114.34
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b><u>\$6,626,982.45</u></b>

## EXPENDITURES

Administration	\$ 213,560.85
Fixed Charges	362,506.18
Middle School Regular Education	1,243,990.33
High School Regular Education	2,543,166.58
Special Education	454,818.60
Transportation	315,491.87
Support Services/Maintenance:	
Custodial	
Utilities	
Maintenance of Building	
Attendance	<u>580,635.70</u>
	\$5,714,170.11
Federal Grants	
1992 Grants:	
Project Parallel	357.00
Early Childhood	1,325.00
Chapter I	13.44
Project Opportunity	3,769.13
1993 Grants:	
Chapter I	46,954.00
Chapter II	4,497.72
Project Child Serve	53,200.00
Project Parallel	4,350.00
Early Childhood	22,750.00

Math & Science Connection	2,300.00
Drug Free Schools	9,.995.00
D.D. Eisenhower	2,249.00
Strengthening Pre-referral	13,385.10
Per Pupil 100	97,300.00
E.E.O.G.	<u>35,820.00</u>
	298,265.47
P.L. 874	-0-
Pentucket E&D Expenditures	-0-
School Lunch Program:	206,288.91
Athletic Revolving Account	51,869.42
Pentucket Pre-School	44,312.03
Lost Book Revolving Acct.	2,655.57
Industrial Arts Rev. Acct.	5,945.00
Pentucket Building Project	
Anticipation of Bank Bond	77,173.98
Pentucket Building Project Capital Debt	256,172.50
Choice	92,348.59
Adult Education Summer School	1,025.00

**Total Expenditures**

**\$6,750,226.58**

**PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BUDGET SUMMARY FY 1995 PROPOSED**

**SALARIES**

**BAGNALL SCHOOL 1**

Instruction 00	938,340
Reading Department 10	40,979
Art Department 11	22,268
Music Department 12	21,092
Phys Ed Department 13	40,979
Media Services 15	75,444
Special Ed Department 25	284,778
Principals Office 31	120,554
Health Services 34	20,809
Extra Curricular 36	1,500
Custodial Services 37	99,078
Maintenance 39	1,000
<b>Sub-total BAGNALL SCHOOL</b>	<b>1,666,821</b>

**DONAGHUE/SWEETSIR SCHOOL 2**

Instruction 00	1,008,907
Reading Department 10	45,971
Art Department 11	36,254
Music Department 12	45,971
Phys Ed Department 13	36,254
Media Services 15	29,092
Special Ed Department 25	360,531
Principals Office 31	138,807
Health Services 34	20,809
Extra Curricular 36	1,800
Custodial Services 37	105,173
<b>Sub-total DONAGHUE/SWEETSIR SCHOOL</b>	<b>1,829,569</b>

**PAGE SCHOOL 3**

Instruction 00	1,054,445
Reading Department 10	48,271
Art Department 11	36,957
Music Department 12	39,182
Phys Ed Department 13	28,390
Media Services 15	74,287
Special Ed Department 25	365,256
Principals Office 31	94,134
Health Services 34	20,809
Extra Curricular 36	3,000
Custodial Services 37	94,914
Maintenance 39	0
<b>Sub-total PAGE SCHOOL</b>	<b>1,859,645</b>

## MIDDLE SCHOOL 4

Foreign Language 04	64,119
Technology Ed 07	44,241
Consumer & Family 08	0
Non-Program 09	13,000
Reading Department 10	119,277
Art Department 11	42,151
Music Department 12	29,781
Phys Ed Department 13	74,548
Media Services 15	63,055
7 Green 16	110,758
7 White 17	156,390
8 Green 18	146,000
8 White 19	147,287
Special Ed Department 25	262,619
Principals Office 31	143,289
Guidance Service 33	109,477
Health Services 34	20,809
Extra Curricular 36	2,000
Custodial Services 37	129,881
Maintenance 39	4,800
Sub-total MIDDLE SCHOOL	1,683,482

## HIGH SCHOOL 5

English Department 01	362,460
Business Ed. Department 02	83,390
Math Department 03	317,784
Foreign Language 04	240,973
Science Department 05	300,419
Social Studies 06	263,666
Technology Ed 07	45,971
Consumer & Family 08	45,971
Non-Program 09	12,000
Reading Department 10	39,149
Art Department 11	81,896
Music Department 12	39,149
Phys Ed Department 13	73,580
Media Services 15	59,959
Special Ed Department 25	236,530
Principals Office 31	184,960
Guidance Service 33	246,925
Health Services 34	20,809
Int'Schol. Athle 35	163,390
Extra Curricular 36	12,000
Custodial Services 37	154,970
Maintenance 39	0
Sub-total HIGH SCHOOL	2,985,951

UNDISTRIBUTED 6		
Special Interest 23		94,287
Prof Development 30		25,000
Health Services 34		96,101
Employee Benefit 51		37000
Sub-total UNDISTRIBUTED		252,388
 CENTRAL OFFICE 7		
Special Ed Department 25		50,000
Superintendents 41		396,612
Admin Support St 43		30,000
Sub-total CENTRAL OFFICE		476,612
 DISTRICT WIDE SE 8		
School Committee 40		13,406
Treasurer 42		35,000
Transportation 44		21,000
Bus Operations 45		0
Attendance Servi 46		1,000
Sub-total DISTRICT WIDE SE		70,406
 REPORT GRAND TOTAL		10,824,874
 <b>NON-SALARY</b>		
<b>BAGNALL SCHOOL 1</b>		
Instruction 00		48,100
Reading Department 10		0
Art Department 11		0
Music Department 12		0
Phys Ed Department 13		0
Media Services 15		5,400
Special Ed Department 25		34,250
Principals Office 31		2,300
Health Services 34		500
Extra Curricular 36		2,200
Custodial Services 37		8,500
Heat & Utilities 38		62,500
Maintenance 39		88,050
Sub-total BAGNALL SCHOOL		251,800
 <b>DONAGHUE/SWEETSIR SCHOOL 2</b>		
Instruction 00		41,500
Reading Department 10		0
Art Department 11		2,000

Music Department 12	0
Phys Ed Department 13	500
Media Services 15	1,385
Special Ed Department 25	56,858
Principals Office 31	3,300
Health Services 34	0
Extra Curricular 36	1,245
Custodial Services 37	7,000
Heat & Utilities 38	83,369
Maintenance 39	75,000
<b>Sub-total DONAGHUE/SWEETSIR SCHOOL</b>	<b>272,157</b>

### PAGE SCHOOL 3

Instruction 00	47,750
Reading Department 10	0
Art Department 11	0
Music Department 12	0
Phys Ed Department 13	0
Media Services 15	8,150
Special Ed Department 25	38,000
Principals Office 31	3,800
Health Services 34	500
Extra Curricular 36	0
Custodial Services 37	94,914
Heat & Utilities 38	47,850
Maintenance 39	75,635
<b>Sub-total PAGE SCHOOL</b>	<b>232,185</b>

### MIDDLE SCHOOL 4

Foreign Language 04	1,394
Technology Ed 07	1,680
Consumer & Family 08	0
Non-Program 09	8,360
Reading Department 10	1,400
Art Department 11	1,500
Music Department 12	1,670
Phys Ed Department 13	800
Media Services 15	4,400
7 Green 16	2,030
7 White 17	900
8 Green 18	2,000
8 White 19	1,090
Special Ed Department 25	4,445
Principals Office 31	8,625
Guidance Service 33	2,600
Health Services 34	500

Extra Curricular 36	0
Custodial Services 37	9,500
Heat & Utilities 38	96,700
Maintenance 39	108,300
<b>Sub-total MIDDLE SCHOOL</b>	<b>257,894</b>
<b>HIGH SCHOOL 5</b>	
English Department 01	10,250
Business Ed. Department 02	9,700
Math Department 03	17,200
Foreign Language 04	13,400
Science Department 05	32,595
Social Studies 06	21,850
Technology Ed 07	10,025
<b>DISTRICT WIDE SE 8</b>	
School Committee 40	57,000
Treasurer 42	16,120
Transportation 44	717,000
Bus Operations 45	123,000
Fixed Charges-In 52	148,400
<b>Sub-total DISTRICT WIDE SE</b>	<b>1,061,520</b>
<b>REPORT GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>3,958,235</b>

**PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BUDGET SUMMARY  
FY 1995 PROPOSED BUDGET**

Instruction	\$ 9,834,165
Regular Education	\$7,932,048
Special Education	1,902,117
Support Services	787,379
Maintenance & Operation	1,560,562
Transportation	861,000
Fixed Charges	1,100,665
Administration	<u>639,338</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$14,783,109</b>

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MERRIMAC SCHOOL  
COMMITTEE  
Fiscal Year 1993**

In accordance with custom and with the Acts of the General Court, 1859, Chapter 57, we herewith submit to you the 122nd annual printed school report.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Tucker, *Chairman*  
Michael Bryant, *Vice Chairman*  
Anthony Repucci, *Secretary*  
Lucy Abisalih  
Mary O'Sullivan

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Dr. Frederick N. Sweetsir School, Helen R. Donaghue School

# SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS 1992-1993

## Merrimac

Paul Tucker, <i>Chairman</i>	Term Expires 1993
Michael Bryant, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	Term Expires 1994
Anthony Repucci, <i>Secretary</i>	Term Expires 1995
Lucy Abisalih	Term Expires 1993
Mary O'Sullivan	Term Expires 1995

## Pentucket Regional

Carol Grazio, <i>Chairman</i>	Term Expires 1995
Leslie Lipkind, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	Term Expires 1994
Michael Bryant, <i>Secretary</i>	Term Expires 1994
John Mortenson	Term Expires 1995
George Mavroides	Term Expires 1994
Paul Tucker	Term Expires 1993
Mary O'Sullivan	Term Expires 1995
Edward Hardy III	Term Expires 1993
Paul Raiche	Term Expires 1994

## School Union #53

Brian Young, <i>Chairman</i>	Term Expires 1995
Lucy Abisalih, <i>Vice Chairman</i>	Term Expires 1993
John Mortenson, <i>Secretary</i>	Term Expires 1995
Martin Courage	Term Expires 1993
Paul Tucker	Term Expires 1993
Anthony Repucci	Term Expires 1993
Leslie Lipkind	Term Expires 1994
Annie Madden	Term Expires 1995

# MERRIMAC SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT TO THE TOWN OF MERRIMAC

1993/1994 has seen many changes in education, the largest, of course, being Regionalization. Large scale capital investment in Merrimac is expanding and improving the school facilities. The Education Reform Act this year presents new challenges for our principals and School Councils.

- 1) Regionalization - Superintendent Henry Dembowski's time, experience, and know how was invaluable in this process. Many meetings and calls to the Department of Education were necessary to fine tune the agreement between Groveland, West Newbury and Merrimac. Many improvements are currently being made in the Central Administration Office, as well as in equipment, books, and building upkeep being brought up to date.
- 2) Capital Investment - The School Building Committee continues to work diligently to make our building projects something of which we can all be proud. We hope everyone will benefit in some way from our new schools. The children will certainly reap a bountiful educational harvest from our investment in their future.
- 3) Education Reform Act - The Education Reform Act stipulates more building-level control through School Councils and less control from the School Committee. Day to day operation may see little change, as our Principal, Ms. Autiello, already runs a very efficient school. The emphasis, however, of the Education Reform Act is to bring more parents and community members into the educational process. This, I believe, gives our students a greater sense of worth by seeing involvement at their level. Drawing from the strengths of our town will guarantee a stable educational environment for years to come.

During my tenure on the School Committee, I have seen how bad things can get when funding is uncertain, or diminished. I have also seen dramatic instances of academic excellence by the students of our district. The dedication of our teaching staff is real and tangible, often rising "above and beyond" normal job criteria to bring important people into our children's lives.

Also, a heartfelt thanks to the community members who rose to the occasion and saved our school. When things looked most bleak, this grassroots action was surely felt at the State level, resulting in additional funding for our community when it was most needed. We look forward to a stable education system for years to come.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Tucker, *Chairman, FY'93*  
Michael Bryant, *Vice Chairman*  
Anthony Repucci, *Secretary*  
Lucy Abisalih  
Mary O'Sullivan

**MERRIMAC SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
FY 1994 BUDGET**

**SALARIES**

**INSTRUCTION**

200/2301-200-10 Kindergarten Instructional Salaries	0
200/2301-300-10 Instruc. Salaries - Teacher	969,048
200/2301-300-11 Instruc. Salaries - Subs	10,000
200/2301-300-12 Staff Dev. Salaries	0
200/2301-300-13 Outdoor Ed Salaries - Stipends	1,275
200/2301-300-30 Instructional Aides Salaries	0
sub-total	980,323

**SPECIAL ED DEPT.**

200/2102-025-10 Sped Supt's Off. Admin Salaries	4,761
200/2102-025-20 Sped Supt's Off. Clerical Salaries	3,338
200/2302-325-10 Sped Instructional Salaries (Teachers)	174,585
200/2302-325-11 Sped Home Instruc. Tutor Salary	500
200/2302-325-13 Sped Summer Program - Instruc Salary	5,610
200/2302-325-20 Sped Clerical Salaries	8,013
200/2302-325-30 Sped Instruc. Aide(s) Salary	14,498
200/2302-325-33 Sped Summer Program - Aide Salary	3,648
200/2802-325-12 Sped Psych Serv Core Evaluation	300
sub-total	215,253

200/2302-327-10 Sped Union #53 Instruc Salaries	0
200/2302-327-11 Sped Union #53 Tutor Salary	0
200/2302-327-30 Sped Union #53 Aide(s) Salary	0
200/3302-327-30 Sped Union #53 Bus Monitor	0
sub-total	0

**PRINCIPALS OFFICE**

200/2200-331-10 Prin. Off. Admin Salary	0
200/2200-331-20 Prin. Off. Clerical Salary	25,989
200/2200-331-21 Prin. Off. Cler. O/T Salaries	300
sub-total	26,289

**MEDIA SERVICES**

200/2500-332-10 Media Serv Profess. Salary	20,035
200/2600-332-10 Media Serv Computer Teacher Salary	12,444
sub-total	32,479

**HEALTH SERVICES**

200/2301-334-10 Health Serv. Teacher/Coordinator	0
200/3200-334-10 Health Serv. Profess. Salaries	21,209
sub-total	21,209

**CUSTODIAL SERVICES**

200/4110-337-30 Custodial Services - Salaries	74,617
200/4110-337-31 Custodial Services O/T Salaries	2,000
sub-total	76,617

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

200/1100-040-20 Schl Comm Clerical Salary	2,068
sub-total	2,068

**SUPERINTENDENTS OFFICE**

200/1200-041-10 Supt's Off. Administrative Sal	26,099
200/1200-041-12 Supt's Off. Sal Adjustment	0
200/1200-041-20 Supt's Off. Clerical Salaries	22,892
200/1200-041-21 Supt's Off. Cler. O/T Salaries	650
sub-total	49,641

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,403,879</b>
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**NON-SALARY****INSTRUCTION**

200/2301-200-50 Kindergarten Supplies & Materials	0
200/2301-300-41 Cont. Serv. Outdoor Education	0
200/2301-300-42 Staff Dev. Teach Training	0
200/2301-300-50 General Supplies	10,000
200/2301-300-52 Staff Dev. Supplies	0
200/2301-300-53 Testing Materials	1,500
200/2301-300-60 Other Expenses	600
sub-total	12,100

**PHYS. ED DEPARTMENT**

200/2301-313-60 Tuition Reimbursement	4,000
200/2301-313-61 Unassigned Monies	0
sub-total	4,000

**MEDIA SERVICES**

200/2401-315-50 Textbooks	9,000
200/2401-315-51 Workbooks	6,300
sub-total	15,300

**SPECIAL ED DEPT.**

200/2102-025-40 Sped Supt's Off. Contract Serv.	778
200/2102-025-50 Sped Supt's Off. Sup. & Mat	600
200/2102-025-60 Sped Supt's Off. Other	450
200/2102-025-70 Sped Supt's Off. Telephone	370
200/2302-325-40 Sped Tutor Contr. Serv.	0

200/2302-325-50 Sped Supplies & Materials	5,450
200/2302-325-53 Sped Summer Program - Supplies & Materials	666
200/2302-325-60 Sped Other Expenses	600
200/2302-325-70 Sped Telephone	825
200/2402-325-50 Sped Textbooks & Workbooks	900
200/2802-325-40 Sped Psych Serv Testing	900
200/2802-325-41 Sped Physical Therapy Contr Serv	10,000
200/2802-325-42 Sped Occupat Therapy Contr Serv	12,000
200/2802-325-43 Sped Speech-Lang Therapy Contr Serv	0
200/3202-325-40 Sped Contr Health Serv	0
200/3302-325-40 Sped Contr Serv Transportation	5,611
200/3302-325-41 Sped Transp - Summer Prog	0
200/6302-325-60 Sped Tuition - Summer Prog	0
200/7302-325-50 Sped Acq. of Equipment	300
200/9102-325-60 Sped Tuition Mass Public Schools	0
200/9302-325-60 Sped Tuition Non-Public Schools	44,882
200/9302-325-61 Sped Tuition Non-Public Summer sub-total	0 84,332

200/2302-327-40 Contr Serv/Field Trip	0
200/2302-327-50 Sped Union #53 Sup. & Mat	0
200/2302-327-60 Sped Union #53 Other Expenses	0
200/2302-327-70 Sped Union #53 Telephone	0
200/2402-327-50 Sped Union #53 Textbooks/Workbks	0
200/2802-327-40 Sped Union #53 Contract Serv Psych	0
200/2802-327-41 Sped Union #53 Phys. Therapy	0
200/2802-327-42 Sped Union #53 Occ. Therapy	0
200/2802-327-43 Sped Union #53 Speech Therapy	0
200/2802-327-44 Sped Union #53 Behavior Management	0
200/3302-327-40 Sped Union #53 Transportation	0
200/7302-327-50 Sped Union #53 Fixed Asset Equip sub-total	0 0

#### PROF DEVELOPMENT

200/4230-330-40 Maint of Equipment	11,100
200/4230-330-50 Maint. Equip. Sup.	500
200/7301-330-50 Fixed Assets Equip.	6,500
200/7401-330-50 Replacement Of Equip.	0
sub-total	18,100

#### PRINCIPALS OFFICE

200/2200-331-40 Prin. Off. Contr Serv Clerical	0
200/2200-331-50 Prin. Off. Supplies & Materials	600
200/2200-331-60 Prin. Off. Other Expenses	400
200/2200-331-61 Prin. Off. Other Conferences	150
200/2200-331-62 Prin. Off. Admin Reimb to Towns	0

200/2200-331-63 Prin. Off. Prof Dev Tuition	300
200/2200-331-70 Prin. Off. Printing Cost	1,500
sub-total	2,950

#### MEDIA SERVICES

200/2500-332-50 Media Services Supplies & Materials	300
200/2500-332-80 Media Serv Supplies & Materials	1,000
200/2600-332-50 Media Serv Audio Visual	250
200/2600-332-51 Media Serv Computer Supplies	400
sub-total	1,950

#### HEALTH SERVICES

200/3200-334-40 Health Serv. School Physician	700
200/3200-334-50 Health Serv. Supplies & Materials	500
200/3200-334-60 Health Serv. Other Expense	200
200/3200-334-61 Health Serv. Prof Dev Tuition	200
sub-total	1,600

#### CUSTODIAL SERVICES

200/4110-337-50 Custodial Supplies	3,500
sub-total	3,500

#### HEAT & UTILITIES

200/4120-338-50 Heat of Buildings	27,375
200/4130-338-50 Telephone	6,930
sub-total	34,305

#### MAINTENANCE

200/4220-339-40 Maint of Buildings Contr. Serv.	23,500
200/4220-339-50 Maint of Buildings Supplies	900
200/4220-339-60 Maint of Buildings Renovations	0
sub-total	24,400

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

200/1100-040-40 Schl Comm Contract Service	12,000
200/1100-040-50 Schl Comm Supplies & Materials	550
200/1100-040-60 Schl Comm Other Expense	5,935
200/1100-040-61 Schl Comm Other Stipend	0
sub-total	18,485

#### SUPERINTENDENTS OFFICE

200/1200-041-40 Supt's Off. Contr Serv/Spec Proj	100
200/1200-041-41 Supt's Off. Printing Exp	200
200/1200-041-50 Supt's Off. Sup & Mat	1,500
200/1200-041-60 Supt's Off. Other	1,600
200/1200-041-70 Supt's Off. Telephone	1,000

200/4110-041-40 Supt's Off. Contr. Serv. Cust.	0
200/4110-041-50 Supt's Off. Cust Supplies	0
200/4130-041-50 Supt's Off. Rent	0
200/4220-041-40 Supt's Off. Maint of Bld	300
200/4230-041-40 Supt's Off. Maint. Equip. Contr.	2,200
200/4230-041-50 Supt's Off. Maint. Of Equip. Sup	300
200/7300-041-50 Supt's Off. Acq Of Equipment	0
sub-total	7,200

#### ADMIN SUPPORT STAFF

200/3300-343-40 Contr. Serv. Transportation	75,940
sub-total	75,940

#### TRANSPORTATION

200/4210-344-40 Maint of Grounds Contr. Serv.	4,200
200/4210-344-60 Vehicle Reimb.	400
sub-total	4,600

#### BUS OPERATIONS

200/3300-345-40 Bus Operations - Cont Service	13,000
200/4230-345-40 Bus Operations - Service /Repairs	3,672
200/4230-345-60 Bus Operations - Other Misc.	1,500
sub-total	18,172

#### ATTENDANCE SERVICES

200/9000-346-40 Chapt. 74 Voc. Tuition	100
sub-total	100

TOTAL	327,034
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### BUDGET SUMMARY FY94

Instruction	1,375,076
Regular Education	1,075,491
Special Education	299,585
Support Services	22,809
Maintenance & Operation	161,522
Fixed Charges	18,172
Transportation	75,940
Administration	77,394
TOTAL BUDGET	1,730,913

# WHITTIER REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT

To: The Honorable Board of Selectmen  
From: Anthony A. Repucci, *Whittier Representative*  
Karen Sarkisian Prentice, *Superintendent/Director*

Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School is entering its twenty first year. To date, we have graduated 5,239 students from a regular day school.

The enrollment for the Evening School from our community: 25

The October 1, 1992 Day School Enrollment:

	Boys	Girls
Grade 9	5	3
Grade 10	6	7
Grade 11	12	2
Grade 12	15	5
	Total - 55	

1993 Graduates - 18

The cost to your community for the school year 1992-1993 was \$301,427.00.

Respectfully yours,

Anthony A. Repucci,  
*Merrimac Representative*  
Karen Sarkisian Prentice,  
*Superintendent/Director*

## 1993 MERRIMAC GRADUATES

Gregg S. Barbrick	Mark J. Normandie
John Barnaby, Jr.	Jeffrey V. Plourde
Rebecca L. Benjamin	Julie M. Smith
Lorin J. Clark	Shawn S. Smith
John Clement	Aaron Snow
Christopher M. Green	Jennifer L. Stuart
Sara J. Kelly	Jessica L. Stuart
Alan R. Mandigo	Paul J. Vien
Aaron Marsh	Sean K. White
Martin D. Moskal	

**Actions Taken at  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
Held on May 3, 1993  
at the Frederick N. Sweetsir School  
(preceding the Annual Town Meeting)**

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for Snow and Washout Emergency; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$22,500      *Passed*

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for Lights in Town Buildings; or take any other action relative thereto.

*Tabled*

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay F.I.C.A. Town's share; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$1,831.91      *Passed*

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to pay for Unemployment Expense; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$9,200.00      *Passed*

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available Chapter 90 Highway funds, a sum of money for construction, repair and improvement in FY93; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$58,713.08      *Passed*

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to meet or defray the costs of legal fees incurred during 1992 by the Sewer Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$6,000.00      *Passed*

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the operation and maintenance of the Sanitary Landfill for Fiscal Year 1993; or take any other action relative thereto.

*Tabled*

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money for Water Department expense; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$16,000.00      *Passed*

**Actions Taken at  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
Held on May 3, 1993  
and Continued on June 21, 1993  
at the Frederick N. Sweetsir School**

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 108 as amended: Moderator, Town Clerk, Three Selectmen, Three Assessors, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, Three Commissioners of Municipal Light, Three Water Commissioners, Three Sewer Commissioners, and raise, appropriate or transfer sums of money therefore and to determine sums of money to be raised, or transferred to defray the necessary and usual charges and expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 1993 and make appropriations for the same, said sums of money so raised, appropriated or transferred to be expended for specific purposes to be voted; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Electric Light Operating Balance, said money to be used by the Assessors with the estimated receipts to fix the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1993; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$5,000      Passed

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the sale of Cemetery lots, such sum or part thereof, to be expended under the direction of the Cemetery Trustees for the "Care, Improvement, and Embellishment" of said Cemeteries, according to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 114, Section 4 and Section 25; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$1,430      Passed

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to accept benefits provided under Chapter 760, Acts of 1960, "An act providing State Aid for Free Public Libraries"; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the operation and maintenance of the Sanitary Landfill for Fiscal year 1994; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$92,500      Passed

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to pay Haley & Ward Engineering Company for services of supervision and inspection of sanitary landfill for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1993; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$21,600      Passed

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the reserve fund for appropriation for revaluation; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$5,000      Passed

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Assessors to perform duties and incur expenses relating to any equalization of revaluation of the Town; and to authorize the Board of Assessors to hire themselves at the rate of \$10.00 per hour and to hire such other necessary assistance as the Board of Assessors may deem necessary or convenient; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$6,000      Passed

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from Chapter 90 Highway funds, a sum of money for construction, repair and improvement in FY94; or take any other action relative thereto.

Tabled

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use a sum of money from available balances and from "FREE CASH" in the treasury toward the reduction of the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1993; or take any other action relative thereto.

Tabled

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to create a bylaw to ban the operation of jet skis, surf skis, wet bikes, or other so-called "personal watercraft" in or upon that portion of Lake Attitash in Merrimac within the jurisdiction of the Town of Merrimac; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, (Water Capital Improvement), a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Water Commissioners for the cleaning of wells at Sargent pit; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$6,000      Passed

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, (Water Capital Improvement), a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Water Commissioners for the upgrade of the wellfield at East Main Street; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$14,400      Passed

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Capital Development Fund, a sum of money for principal payment for note dated February 1, 1992; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$15,000      Passed

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Capital Development Fund, a sum of money for principal payment for note dated August 1, 1991; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$20,000      Passed

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Capital Development Fund, a sum of money for two sewer connections to the system omitted from the original contracts; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$4,000 Passed

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Sewer Capital Development Fund, a sum of money for the purpose of making the temporary sludge storage pad permanent; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$40,000 Passed

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to change the Sewer Use Ordinance as follows: Article VI, Sec. 6. Sewer Capital Development Fund. To: Article VI, Sec 7, Sewer Capital Development Fund Paragraph A Sub Paragraph (4) From: Sewer Connection Fee to: Sewer Privilege Fee Sub Paragraph (5) Change to read as follows: Sewer Privilege Fees as authorized by Mass. General Law, Chapter 83 shall be assessed against all new services including connections and changes of use. Sub Paragraph (6) Eliminate. Sub Paragraph (7) Renumber to Sub Paragraph (6) and change to read as follows: The imposition of such fees by the Sewer Commission is authorized by Mass General Law Chapter 83. Sub Paragraph (8) becomes Sub Paragraph (7). Article VI Sec. 7. Paragraph B Sub Paragraph (1) change the word "assessment" to "monies". Article VI Sec. 7. Paragraph D Sub Paragraph (1) change from Sewer Connection Fee to read Sewer Privilege Fee. Article VI Sec. 7. Paragraph E Sub Paragraph (1) and (2) change from Sewer Connection Fee to read Sewer Privilege Fee.

Passed

ARTICLE 19. To see if Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the recycling program; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$4,000 Passed

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Pentucket Regional School District Agreement, providing for the expansion of the regional school district to include pre-kindergarten through grade twelve inclusive, together with the towns of Groveland, Merrimac, and West Newbury for the maintenance and operation of a regional school by said district in accordance with the Laws of Massachusetts and the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the Selectmen.; This expanded regionalization would be effective September 1, 1993; or take any other action relative thereto.

Passed

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Pentucket Regional School District Agreement to add sixth grade students from the member towns to the regional school, in accordance with the Laws of Massachusetts and the provisions of a proposed amendment filed with the selectmen. The effective date for this transition would be September, 1994; or take any other action relative thereto.

Tabled

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town of Merrimac will instruct its

representatives to the General Court to support an amendment to the FY94 state budget to guarantee that cities and towns receive the full \$47 million growth in lottery revenues; or take any other action relative thereto.

*Passed*

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town of Merrimac will instruct its representatives to the General Court to support legislation filed by the Massachusetts Municipal Association that would establish in state law a Local Roads Fund in order to ensure a fair and predictable share of state gas tax collections for distribution to cities and towns for use on local roads; or take any other action relative thereto.

*Passed*

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase a fire truck contingent upon the passage of a debt exclusion referendum; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$180,000 *Passed*

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to purchase a highway truck contingent upon the passage of a debt exclusion referendum; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$50,000 *Passed*

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town of Merrimac will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Cable Television Advisory Committee the function of whom shall be to prepare for the expiration of the town's current cable contract in 1997. Said committee shall study the present contract, examine all options available including municipally owned community antenna television, and make recommendations in a timely manner to the Board for Selectmen; or take any other action relative thereto.

*Passed*

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town of Merrimac will vote to add the following to its bylaws: All articles submitted to the Board of Selectmen for consideration to be placed on the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting must be presented at least forty-five (45) days before the date of the Annual Town Meeting. This bylaw also applies to all articles by petition ; or take any other action relative thereto.

*Passed*

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town of Merrimac will raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair the roof of the Council on Aging building, on School Street; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$4,000 *Passed*

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town of Merrimac will raise and appropriate a sum of money to provide OSHA mandated hepatitis vaccinations for members of the Fire and Police Departments; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$1,000 *Passed*

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town of Merrimac will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen at its discretion to transfer the title to a certain parcel of town owned land to a non-profit committee within the Fire Department; or take any other action relative thereto.

*Passed*

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 6.3.3 (Earth Removal) of the Zoning Bylaws by adding the words Agricultural-Residential making the paragraph read as follows: The excavation of these materials for commercial purposes shall be permitted in any district except Agricultural-Residential, Suburban-Residential and Residential areas in which areas it shall be prohibited. Only by the granting of a temporary special permit by the Board of Appeals as a provided in Section 7 of this by-law and in all cases subject to the following regulations; or take any other action relative thereto.

*Passed*

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for a Town Audit; or take any other action relative thereto.

*Tabled*

**Actions Taken at  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
Held on June 21, 1993  
at the Frederick N. Sweetsir School  
(preceding the continued Annual Town Meeting)**

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to increase the limit of borrowing for the Helen R. Donaghue School Building Project. A vote of Town Meeting May 2, 1988 authorized spending of \$6,850,000 of which \$4,184,000 was allocated to the Helen R. Donaghue School. The original article was worded as follows:

“To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for constructing, originally equipping and furnishing additions and for remodeling, reconstructing, and making extraordinary repairs to the Frederick N. Sweetsir and Helen R. Donaghue Elementary Schools, including costs incidental and related thereto, and to determine whether such appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or to take any other action relative thereto.”

\$879,800      *Passed*

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds, a sum of money to pay F.I.C.A. Town’s Share; or take any other action relative thereto.

*Tabled*

**Actions Taken at  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
Posted for September 27, 1993  
and Continued (lack of quorum) on September 29, 1993  
at the Frederick N. Sweetsir School**

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to accept the road for "Orchard Acres" known as Orchard Street Extension as approved by the Merrimac Planning Board on March 7, 1988; or take any other action relative thereto.

*Passed*

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from available funds to the stabilization fund; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$10,000      *Passed*

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to change the position of Tax Collector in its Bylaws, from an elected to an appointed position; or take any other action relative thereto.

*Passed*

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to adopt Section 18 of Mass General Laws, Chapter 32B; or take any other action relative thereto.

*Passed*

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from Water Capital Improvement to replace a section of water main on River Road; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$17,000      *Passed*

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for engineering and other related costs for closure and capping of the town's landfill; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$20,000      *Passed*

ARTICLE 7 To see if the Town will vote to open "Article I" for the purpose of adjusting wages and compensation of employee's; or take any other action relative thereto.

*Passed*



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